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PLO urges calm in camps

AMMAN (R) - Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) leader Yasser Arafat instructed the PLO ambassador and representative in Jordan to try to calm the refugee camps, especially Begas north of Amman where police fought protesters for much of Tuesday, a PLO official said. One Palestinian guerrilla was killed and one wounded by a mine near the Syrian-Jordanian border Monday evening and security sources said they had been trying to reach Began. "They were Abu Musa's men," said one source referring to the pro-Syrian dissident Fatch Uprising group. "After inflitrating across the border, they walked across a minefield," another source said. "One mine exploded killing one man and the leg of his companion was blown off." They were carrying four Soviet-male Kalashnikov assault rifles and two rocket launchers. Pro-Syrian groups vie with the mainstream Fatch faction of the PLO for influence in Bequa.

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BAGHDAD (R) - Egypt agreed to postpone an islamic voio a diplomatic clash between Test and Saudi Arabia over the annual Muslim pilgrimage to Mecca. Arab diplomats said Monday. The Saudis wanted the meeting put forward till after Haj (the pulgrimage in early July) to avoid a clash with Iran," an Arab ambassador said. The annual Organisation of Islamic Conference (OIC) foreign ministers' meeting was due to begin in Cairo in June but diplomatic sources said it would be held after the pilgrimage.

Socialists give PLO observer status

CAIRO (R) - The Socialist Interrational, one of the world's oldest and largest political associations. Tuesday granted observer status to the Polestine Liberation Organisation. Egypt's national news agency MENA reported. The agency said the decision was reached at the first day of a Cairo gathering of Socialist leaders and that it was approved by delegates from Israel's United Workers' Party of Mapam. Hani Al Hassan; top: political adviser to PLO Chairman Yasser Arafat, headed the PLO's observer team at Tuesday's session.

France to host CSCE summit

PARIS (R) - France and Tuesday it had been chosen to host a summit of the 35 nation conferonce on security and cooperation in Europe (CSCE). Plans to stage the summit late this year would depend on the progress of negotiations on cutting conventional military forces, President Franois Mitterrand's spokesman told reporters. "The only certainty today is that Paris has been chosen as the venue for the summit," Hubert Vedrine said, ending months of speculation.

Benjedid pledges free elections

ALGIERS (R) - President Chadli Benjedid has vowed at the start of campaigning for Algeria's first free elections next month they would be fair and democratic. "The state will watch with all the powers given it by the constitution... that these first elections in Algeria leading toward democracy will take place in a good, democratic and transparent fashion," he said Monday night.

Tunisian groups to boycott election

TUNIS (R) — Six legal opposition parties and the Islamic fundamentalists in Tunisia have deided to boycott municipal elections next month. The decision leaves the ruling Thuisian RCD party alone in contesting the poll. The miling RCD (Rassemblement Constitutionnel Democratique), set up by under President Zine Abidine Ben Ali after he ousted Habib Bouguiba in 1988, had hoped opposition groups would join the election in a multi-party system replacing the one-party rule which operated since independence. Four small parties, considered close to the RCD, announced Tuesday they would not per up any candidates. -

Shutto in Tunis

TUNIS (AP) -- Prime Minister Benazir Birutto of Pakistan called for international support Tuesday to resolve the violent independeut campaign in the Indian state of Jammu-Kashmir. "Pakistan is working hard to find a solution to the bipody crisis in Kashmir, where a number of human rights violations have taken place," Hhutto said after arriving in the Turisian capital. Tunisia marks her lest stop on a weeklong toer of slamic states to drum up support for Pakistan in the conflict over the only predominantly Muslim state in India. Bhatto will hold talks with Prime Minister Hamed Karwi before leaving for Islamabad Wednesday.

Israeli guns fail to deter Palestinians

(Agencies) - Undeterred by a score of dead and at least 800 wounded, Palestinian protesters clashed with Israeli forces for a third day .Tuesday as several world governments criticised itrael and urged restraint in the occupied territories. -

in Arab Jerusalem, Israeli police tear-gassed 200 peaceful Palestinian demonstrators taking a petition to the U.S. consulate. The marchers, carrying black

flags, were protesting against the mass murder of eight Palestinian labourers Sunday by a lone Israeli gunman which refuelled the 29month-old Palestinian uprising. In the occupied territories, an army spokesman said a curlew on more than one million residents was holding. But Palestinians re-

ported that one Palestinian was killed and at least 25 wounded in continuing clashes Tuesday.

The latest victim was Ahmad Al Masabah, 18, shot by troops in venge for the slain labourers

after noon prayers.

Another Palestinian died overnight in an Israeli hospital after being shot by Jewish settlers in the Gaza Strip, Arab sources

The number of dead in renewed Arab-Israeli violence since Sunday reached 21.

Palestimans closed shops and schools and staved home from their jobs in Israel for a second day to protest Sunday's massacre.

Since Sunday's slayings. Palestinians have defied curfew orders in large numbers. Israel's about 800,000 Arabs returned to work and studies on Tuesday after staging protests and a oneday solidarity strike with their Palestinian brethren in the occupied lands Monday.

larael army radio reported Arab youths erected stone barricades and burned tyres in northern Israeli towns

were deployed Tuesday after hundreds of youths waged street battles with Israeli forces Monday.

Protesters, many of them masked, threw stones and nail-studded potatoes at police and set alight tyres. They burned down an Israeli bank and damaged a department store and tax office with stones. Fourteen Arabs and 10 police were hurt. More than 30 Arabs were arrested.

Nazareth Mayor Tewfik Ziad accused police of provoking the violence by breaking up a peaceful march of mourning for the massacre

"Police shot thousands of rubber and plastic builts and tear gas hs, entered houses and best peo-Ziad rejected Israeli concerns that the protest, one of the worst ever by Israeli Arabs, signalled that the Palestinian uprising was spilling into Israel from occupied areas.

"Whoever says this just wants to stily attacks on (Israeli) Arabs," said Zaid, a former member of parlia-

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stress instability serves enemy By a Jordan Times

Government,

Parliament

Staff Writer

AMMAN — Both the legislative and executive authorities Tuesday called on the public to refrain from resorting to violence to express their sentiments over Israeli actions in the occupied territories saying violent actions will only undermine the Arab cause and help Israel implement its plans.

Addressing a special session of the Cabinet, Prime Minister Mndar Badran said the authorities were taking all necessary measures to preserve law and order in the country. "The present democratic atmosphere in Jordan should prompt the citizens to be keen on adhering to the law rather than violating the law," the prime minister was quoted as saying by the Jordan News Agen-

cy, Petra. The prime minister issued a strict warning against any diversion of attention from Israel's actions in the occupied territories and its moves to stir trouble in Jordan. He paid tribute to "the national organisations which were keenly trying to maintain control over the situation in the Kingdom in the wake of the killing of (eight) Palestinian workers' by an Israeli gui near Tel Aviv on Sunday.

The Lower House of Parliament, which also convened a special session to discuss the situation in the wake of two days of demonstrations and spasms of violence, issued a statement condemning Sunday's massacre and Israel's repressive measures against the Palestinians living in (Continued on page 5)

Another fatality in Hittin near Irbid was caused by gunfire from among the demonstrators, official reports said. The relative calm that pre-

In the Amman neighbourhood of Jabal Nasr, protesters burn tyres and chant nationalist slogan

Violence ends, leaving

2 dead and 25 wounded

around Amman and elsewhere in vailed late Tuesday followed the Kingdom by late Tuesday appeals by the government and after two days of violence and the Lower House of Parliament, clashes between demonstrators which met in a special session to and security forces following discuss the situation. The governpeaceful massive protests against ment said it had taken all necessary measures to preserve law Israel's oppressive measures against the Palestinian people livand order and pointed out that the democratic atmosphere in the ing in the occupied territories. Kingdom should encourage the Reports from the Bequa Camp,

and Irbid, another 60 kilometres rather than breaking it. north, the Al Wihdat on the Prime Minister Mudar Badran. south of the capital, Schneller in speaking at a Cabinet session, the north-east and Al Hussein in also said that violent actions in the heart of the city as well as the Jordan would only help divert attention from Israel's actions in northeastern city of Zarqa spoke of several deaths and scores of the occupied territories.

The Lower House, in a statement read by Speaker Suleiman 16-year-old in Irhid, could be Arar on Jordan Television, paid confirmed independently. tribut: to the Jordanian people for their expression of solidarity with the Palestinians, hut said that violence and attacks on security forces would only sow dissent and confusion which will help Israel implement its plans.

The protests were triggered by a massacre of eight Palestinian labour-ers by an Israeli gunman near Tel Aviv and the subsequent killing of eight others and wounding of 700 by the Israeli army. The rallies turned violent after some of the participants attacked public and private property and defied warnings by security

forces, officials said.

Black flags flunere every house in the Al Hussein and Bequa as well as Al Wihdat camps in mourning for the Palestinians killed in the occupied lands.

In Al Hussein camp, Jordan Times reporters saw small groups of school-girls carrying national flags as well as black flags staging their own protests escorted by police officers around noon Tuesday, immediately after school hours. "Struggle, struggle,

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Republic of Yemen is born; Saleh elected president

ADDEN (Agencies) - North Yemen and South Yemen merged Tuesday after 300 years of separation to form a powerful new republic dominating the strategic entrance to the Red Sea. North Yemeni leader Ali

Abdullah Saleh proclaimed unification in Aden after the parliaments of both states elected him president of a country of 13 million people. The coast guard fired several

cannon shots and anchored vessels hoosed their borns as the two countries merged into one country standing on the brink of oil - Together, the united Republic

of Yemen has newly discovered aggregate oil field reserves unofficially put at two billion barrels. It sits on the strategically located Bab Al Mandab, a strait at the southern outlet of the Red Sea into the Indian Ocean. The merger crased the vestiges

of the Arah World's only communist government, in Aden. At a later raily, Saleh amounced that the United Nations and the Arab League have

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King hails Yemeni unity as achievement for Arabs

AMMAN (J.T.) — His Majesty King Husseln Monday congratu-lated All Abdullah Salch, the erstwhile president of North Yemen who was elected Monday as president of the United Republic of Yemen, and said the merger between North Yemen and South emen into one entity "will put an end to divisions, lay down the foundations for strong Arab unity and a bright inture for the entire Arab Nation."

"We followed up with great optimism and hopes your efforts and steps towards Yemeni unity. Today, as you are announcing this great achievement, we feel that you are not only living up to the aspirations of the Yemeni people but also the aspirations of the entire Arab Nation and achieving one of its greatest wishes." The King, chairman of the Arab Cooperation Council (ACC)

which now groups Jordan, Iraq, Egypt and the united Yemen, wished the president every success and happiness in leading the march of Yemeni unity and congratulated the Yemeni people on

The flag of the Unitd Republic of Yemen was hoisted over the erstwhile embassy of North Yemen in Amman Monday. The ceremony was attended by members of the Yemeni community living in Jordan. In a speech on the occasion, Ambassador Ali Abu Lahoum said the declaration of Yemeni unity stood out as "a landmark in the history of the Arab Nation."

The secretary-genral of the Foreign Ministry and other senior officials also attended the ceremony.

Arab ministers accuse Israel of planning to evict Palestinians

BACHDAD (Agencies) — Arab foreign ministers accused Israel Tuesday of trying to drive Palestinions out of the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip to make way for immigrants from the Soviet Union.

The ministers, meeting in Baghdad to prepare for an emergency Arab summit next week, blamed the Israeli government for the massacre of eight Palestinian workers by an Israeli

guman Sanday.
"It (the shooting) was designed to intimidate the Palestinian people in the occupied territories and drive them out of their homeland so that they can absorb more settlers," the ministers said in a statement.

The statement echoed a warning by Egyptian President Hosni Mobarak that the massive influx of Soviet Jews into Israel could lead to a fifth Middle East War. (See page 2).

The ministers will also raise Arab concerns at Soviet emigration in letters they are preparing for their heads of state to send to U.S. President George Bush and Soviet President Mikhail Gor-

bachev, delegates said. Bush and Gorbachev should receive the letters before they meet in Washington at the end of

the mouth, they said...... Speakers said on Tuesday Arab many was the only remedy for what they say is the gravest crisis in years. But there was no sign

boycott the meeting.
Delegates said Egypt was still trying to persuade Syrian President Hafez Al Assad to come next week or at least send a representative. Iraq. Algeria and the Palestine Liberation Organisation, which called for the summit, failed to make Assad change bis mind over the

Syria says a summit needs better preparation and should take place in a less controversial capit-

A longstanding dispute between Baghdad and Damascus is the last remaining obstacle to reconciliation among all Arab states. Lebanon, which follows Syria's lead, is also absent.

The Syrian and Lebanese flags stood at the table in the hotel where the ministers were meeting but the seats were empty.

"Jerusalem is calling you, lead-ers of the Arab World," banners flying in the streets of the Iraci capital said. "Arab unity is the shield against threats to our scientific development," read others.

Addressing the gathering, the Iraqi and PLO delegates said Western allegations about a "super gun" under construction here to fire unclear or chemical weapons at Israel were a prelude to an attack against Iraq.

Foreign Minister Tariq Axiz and the PLO's political department chief, Farouk Kaddoumi, linked the Western threats to the that Syriz would drop plans to influx of Soviet Jews into Israel determination.

Britain said it confiscated a shipment of electronic capacitors destined for Iraq, which can be used as triggering devices for nuclear weapons.

It was followed closely by Bri-

tain impounding steel tubes it said was part of a giant gun. Greece, Turkey and Italy later said they seized shipments that may have been components of

"There's no doubt that this political and propaganda cam-paign... is a prelude for a strike against our technological and sci-entific installations," Aziz told the foreign ministers. The Arabs have not forgotten

the 1981 Iaraeh air raid on a nuclear reactor near Baghdad. Arab League Secretary General Chadli Klibi and Kaddoumi, echoed his remarks.

Kaddoumi and Aziz linked the perceived threat against Iraq with the possible settlement of hundreds of thousands of Jewish immigrants in the occupied territor-

Therefore, Kaddoumi cautioned, the Arabs may soon be left with "no option but armed struggle," a veiled warning the PLO may resort to arms again if Israel continues to stonewall peace proposals.

"Justice is not a strong enough weapon," he said of the Arabs' support of the Palestinians' right to a homeland and self-

Beqaa camp stones, tear-gas

By P.V. Vivekanand . Jordan Times Staff Writer

BEQAA CAMP - The piercing smell of tear-gas hung in the air; palls of black smoke sprang np sporadically, and random automatic and hand-gun shots could be heard. Little boys and girls ran around in the streets, onions clamped to their nostrils to ward off the effects of teargas, while elderly men and women gathered around arguing with each other and shaking their heads.

No policemen were visible, but the overwhelming presence of security forces was very

They are mostly shooting in the air," said a yound shopkeeper in one of the backstreets of this sprawling Palestinian refugee camp. "I am sure there are casualties, but I don't know for sure," he added, insisting that my French journalist friend and myself smoke one of his cigarettes since we were guests of the camp."

What was the nationality of my friend, be wanted to know. When told French, he immediately said; "We are sorry for what happened yesterday. We have nothing against the people of France or America. We are against the policy of the American government, which supports Israel's occupation of

My French colleague was to hear several more such "apologies" as we went further down the corner. "I am sure the gunman (who attacked a group of French tourists in downtown Amman Sunday) did not even know his target was French tourists", was the comment of

sorry for what happened in downtown Amman.

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forces, but only one death, of a

(Phote by Yousef Al 'Allan)

By Nermeen Murad,

and Sana Atiyeh

CALM APPEARED to have re-

turned to the refugee camps

Further down the narrow unpaved road, a group of young and old men were clustered near a still smouldering tyre, apparently exchanging news on what was happening "np front" near the main entrance of the

They don't want us to leave the

camp," asserted a middle-aged man. "After what happened yesterasserted a middle-aged avoid more trouble in the streets." What actually happened yester-day? "Well, there were three mar-ches. Two of them were very well organised and went smoothly," he replied. "But, the third one, which was held in the evening, turned sour since young boys of 16 and 17 were leading it. They wanted to march to Amman, But police stopped them. Words led to deeds, and the next thing we knew is that tear-gas was fired, and then shots

were beard." How many were wounded since esterday? This was a tricky question, since no-one seemed to know, "At least 20 to 25," according to the young shopkeeper. "No, it is over 200," said another young man with a chequered headcloth wrap-ped around his neck. "Look, isn't it blood?" he unwrapped the head-dress and displayed red spots.

Blood or no blood, the question over the exact number of people injured, whether by bullets or by tear-gas, remained unanswered. "It is all the fault of police," charged the man, rewrapping the cloth around his neck. "They

should have left the young boys alone. The boys did not do anything to warrant this." But they threw stones and attacked police, didn't they? The man seemed uncomfortable. "Perhaps

they did, but do police have to What about keeping law and (Continued on page 5)

Wihdat calm after trouble

By Lamis K. Andoni Jordan Times Staff Reporter

WIHDAT REFUGEE CAMP Demonstrations continued for the second day Tuesday in protest against the Israeli massacre of 16 Palestinians last Sunday. But unlike Monday's demonstrations which proceeded peacefully, violent clashes occurred with riot police who reportedly used tear-gas and live ammunition to disperse the emotionally-

charged refugees. However, hy Tuesday even-ing a joint effort hy political activists, mainly Muslim Brotherhood deputies Dr. Ali Hawamdeh and Sheikh Abdul Munim Abu Zant, and the security forces, succeeded in resuming a big peaceful demonstration which was earlier interrupted by violence.
Around 5,000 people took

part in the evening's demonstration which proceeded around the camp peacefully. In a symbolic funeral for martyrs, demonstrators carried an empty coffin and chanted Palestinian revolutionary songs. "Oh mother of the martyr, yoddle; all of the young people are your children;" "With our souls and blood we redeem you martyrs," the crowd chanted.

Residents said that by the evening tension was easing and things were going back to normal again.

"It is much better now; the atmosphere is much more relaxed." said a resident who contacted the Jordan Times by telephone to report the situasides involved were trying to avoid the violence which characterised earlier demonstra-

the Islamic and other hospitals who rushed to the camp - said that tens of people were affected by lear-gas and some were wounded by live ammunition. "I personally treated or sent to

hospitals more than 150 suffering from lear-gas and seven wounded by builets, contended a doctor who was treating two patients in a small crowded house.

Other doctors, who said that they were from the Islamic Hospital, reported similar numbers saying that most of the injured were hit in their legs or shoulders.

There were no reports of deaths and a spokesman for the state-owned Al Bashir Hospital said that only seven from those admitted were still there for treatment by Tuesday evening. There was no official confirmation of an accurate ordanian official said that the government was looking into reported figures and gathering data on the number of casualties from hospit-

Residents of the camp accused riot police "of excessive use of tear-gas and live bullets." They gave to the Jordan Times samples of empty bullets which they claimed police had used.

A government source contacted by the Jordan Times said that most of the injuries were caused by tear-gas but that the government was investigating all allegations.

The first big demonstration Tuesday began at about 12:30 p.m., immediately after schools hours ended, according to eyewitnesses. They said that the streets and alleys of the camp were swarmed with thousands who were chanting anti-

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Mubarak warns of possible new Middle East confrontation

CAIRO (AP) — President Hosni Mubarak warned Tuesday that settlement of Soviet Jewish immigrants in Israeli-occupied Arab lands threatens "new bloody confrontation" in the Middle East.

He urged Socialist International, a non-governmental grouping of 89 Socialist parties from 47 countries, to do something about

Former Israeli Prime Minister Shimon Peres later promised that if his Labur Party forms another government, it will settle Soviet immigrants in Israel itself, not on occupied soil.

Peres was among Mubarak's audience as the Egyptian leader opened a meeting of the Socialist International Council. So were members of the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO).

On the eve of the semiannual meeting, the council awarded permanent observer status to the PLO. The PLO has been leading a campaign against Soviet Jewish immigration in the occupied terri-

A PLO official said the council presidium decided by consensus to grant the observer status Monday night. Peres, head of Israel's Labour Party, is among leaders of that body.

Peres walked out of the council meeting at Stockholm, Sweden. last June when the PLO was invited as a guest. This time, a council source said he dissented from the "consensus" but did not walk out.

"I believe that the Socialist International must resist the danger of settling Soviet Jews in the occupied Palestinian territories." Mnbarak said. "This threatens to wreck the (Arab-Israeli) peace process and puts the entire region of the brink of a new bloody confrontation.

That, Mubarak said, would hring "dire consequences to the interests of all peoples of the area."

It was the strongest language Mubarak has used in public since the influx of Soviet Jews to Israel began last fall. Egypt is the only Arah state having a peace treaty

More than 30,000 Soviet Jews arrived in Israel between January and April this year. In all of 1989, there were only 12,000. Up to half a million are expected by

The Arabs fear many of them will settle in the occupied West Bank and Gaza. That, they contend, would displace or otherwise disrunt the lives of vast numbers of the territories' 1.7 million Palestinian inhabitants. It also would make a negotiated settlement of the final status of the two

Israeli officials deny that they intentionally are settling immigrants in the territories. And even though they admit the government does not restrict where immigrants set up bousekeeping, the Israelis insist that only a few bundred Soviet immigrants have settled in the West Bank and

This does not include East erusalem, which Israel does not regard as occupied land but the PLO, other Arabs and most other countries do.

The Jewish state occupied East Jerusalem along with the two territories in 1967. It subsequentwas incorporated into West

Peres told the council's working session that if his party comes to power, it will settle Soviet Jews in Israel proper, not the occupied

"Half the Negev (desert) is empty. We are going to settle these people in empty land... If we form a government," Peres said. We shall never occupy the lives or the land of another

After Muharak's speech, he and Peres had a brief private "I can say generally that Egypt

has become the key to the area in which we live in regard to the maintenance of peace," the Israeli told reporters afterwards. Nabil Shaath, a Cairo-based

political adviser to PLO leader Yasser Arafat, said the decision on his organisation's status gives it a bigger voice in Socialist International.

The PLO asked to sit as an observer, and it was accepted by the presidium of the council by consensus," Sbaath told the Associated Press. "This means stronger resolutions for Palestinian rights and a stronger presence for the PLO."

Socialist Internationals (SI) was founded in London in 1864 and has been overhauled several times since. The council and the SI Congress, which meets every three years, are its top decisionmaking bodies.

A source close to the council. speaking on condition of anonymity, said Peres told the pres-idium during Monday's closed meeting: "If you do not ask me officially about the PLO observer status, I have no problem. But if you ask me officially, I have to

Shaath said the council's Middle East Committee Monday night adopted a resolution calling for Palestinian statebood, condemning Israel's establishment of settlements in the occupied territories and urging an international peace conference for an Arab-Israeli settlement.

He said Israel's Labour Party opposed the resolution but that Mapam, another Israeli Socialist Party, supported it.

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Qadhafi warns of more hostage-taking unless Israel releases Arabs

NICOSIA (R) — Libyan leader Muammar Qadhafi has warned of more hostage-taking in the Mid-. dle East if Israel and Western countries refuse to release Arab -

Oadhafi said many hostagetakers bad told him that unless Israel and Western countries freed imprisoned Arabs and Muslims there would be "more hostage-taking and more violent ac-

"They told me that for your sake and for the sake of the appeal you made, some were released, and what is needed is more hostages so that the West is forced to release Arah hostages in their hands," he quoted hostage-takers as saying.
The Lihyan News Agency

(JANA), monitored in Nicosia, said Qadhafi was talking in an interview with the Lebanese Al Hawadeth magazine, due to be published Wednesday.

the release of Western hostages, state.

Shortly after, the Fateh Revolutionary Council (FRC), led by Abu Nidal, freed a Frenchwoman, a Belgian and their child in Beirut. It said it would free a Belgian family of four it still held if one of its members in prison in Belgium was released.

Kidnappes also freed two American captives last month, but have ruled out more releases if their demand for the release of Arabs in Israeli prisons were not

An official of the pro-Iranian Hizbollah (Party of God), widely believed to be holding 15 Western hostages in Lebanon, said Monday the killing of seven Palestinians in Israel would negatively affect efforts to release

hostages. Qadhafi said he expected an "explosion of violence" over Israel's actions in the region and Qadhafi last mouth called for at Western support to the Jewish

Ethiopia executes 12 generals involved in failed coup bid

ADDIS ABABA (AP) - The twelve generals executed for staging last year's abortive coup included some of Ethiopia's most distinguished military leaders.

The official Ethiopian News Agency announced the executions Monday evening without saying when or how they had been carried out. The 12 had been convicted of treason Saturday by a special court martial. Among them was Maj.-Gen. Hailu Gebre-Michael, 57, commander of all ground forces; his deputy, Maj.-Gen. Alemayehou Desta, 55, and the air force chief

gashaw, 54. Also executed were the commanders of the police and armed forces staff colleges, Maj.-Gen. Workn Zewdie, 58, and Brig.-Gen. Desalegne Abebe, 53; two other air force generals and five

The other air force officers were Brig.-Gen. Tesfu Desta, 46, chief of operations, and Brig. Gen. Ghenanaw Mengistu, 47, commander of a squadron based in the capital.

Maj.-Gen. Zediie Gebreyes, 55; Brig.- Gens. Rikyihun Bayissa, 52, Negash Woldyes, 53, Engida Wolde-Amlak, 51, and Testaye Rear Adm. Tesfaye Berhanu. commander of the navy, and

The corps commanders were

Maj.-Gen. Abdullahi Oumer, head of administration and logistics in the Defence Ministry, were sentenced to 15 and 10 years imprisonment with hard labour. Soldiers convicted of treason in Ethiopia normally face a firing

The trial of another 35 senior officers is continuing while an additional 130 officers are yet to be tried.

The mutineers struck on May 16 when President Mengistu Haile Mariam was on a visit to East Germany. Loyal troops crashed the coup attempt in Addis Ababa within the first day and three days later in Asmara, the capital of Ethiopia's northernmost province, Eritrea.

.Three rebel generals and the then defence minister were killed in the fighting.

Arafat calls on Bush to pressure Israel

BAGHDAD (Agencies) — Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat has appealed to U.S. President George Bush to pressure Israel to stop its "atrocities" against the Palestinian people.

"We appeal to President Bush this time not to let the Palestinian people down and to refrain from protecting the Israeli crimes," Arafat told a news conference late Monday.

The United States must shoulder moral responsibility and do whatever it can to halt Israeli violations of human rights in the occupied territories, he added.

Arafat said the Palestine Li-

beration Organisation (PLO) wanted the United States not to veto a likely condemnation of Israel by the U.N. Security Council when it meets at the request of the PLO to discuss the killing of eight Palestinians by an Israeli gunman Sunday.

He said he would apply for a visa to travel to New York to attend an emergecny Security

Council meeting on the issue requested by the PLO.

If his request was rejected he would ask the United Nations to stage the council meeting outside

the United States, he added. The call for the council meeting followed Sunday's shooting of the eight-Palestinians by the lone gunman which prompted widespread demonstrations in the occupied territories. Two days of subsequent protests brought 12

other deaths by Israeli gunfire and many hundreds wounded. Arafat rejected Israeli claims that the lone gunman was mentally unhalanced. He accused Israeli Prime Minister Yitzhak Shamir of planning "a criminal scheme against the Palestinians and the

He said Shamir launched the new plan to surpress the 30month-old uprising and to block international efforts for a peaceful settlement of the Arab-Israeli

intifadah."

He also urged the United Nations and the international community to intervene to halt "a wide scale massacre against the Palestinian people." "The international community.

peace process," he said. Arafat also said the Palestipians will escalate their protests against Israeli occupations, vow-

is duty bound to safeguard the



stop until its goals are achieved. 'I am not warning but say only that we will let actions speak louder," he added.

The lack of a peace process in the Middle East increases the likelihood of violence and crackdowns such as occurred after Sunday's killings, the State Department said Monday.

In an apparent criticism of Israeli government policies, depnty: spokesman Richard Boucher deplored the initial killings and the casualties inflicted by the army.

We see that as another sign that there must be a peace process," Boucher told reporters. "In the absence of a peace

process the potential for this kind of potential violence and spiraling responses afterwards goes up,"

"We regret the violence that occured after this incident," he added. "We're disturbed by the number of casualties inflicted by the Israeli army."
White House spokesman Mar-

lin Fitzwater said the administration of President George Bush abhorred the "tragic violence" in the Middle East, "We urge everyone to be calm," said Fitzwater, traveling with Bush on the west coast.

-Boucher said if appears Sunday's massacre of by a man armed with an assault rifle was "a horriing that the uprising would not ble senseless act hy a madman.

Egypt's Al Azhar calls for action to protect Arabs under occupation

CAIRO (R) — The head Al Azhar, Egypt's highest religious authority, urged Muslim and Arab nations Tuesday to take firm action to protect Palestinians from what he called evil Israeli

Sheikh Gadel Haq Ali Gadel Haq called for "protection of the Palestinian people in the occupied territories who are facing with their bodies these evil Israeli powers that have given up all human characteristics." His call follows two days of

riots in the Israeli-occupied Wesi

Bank and Gaza Strip in which 20

Arabs were shot dead, including seven gunned down by a lone gunman in cold blood. "A great responsibility rests to stand hy their Palestinian hrothers... who are giving their lives to defend the bonour of

Arabs and Muslims and their

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ment from among over 9,000

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making room for more indepen-

Independents are guaranteed

84 seats and could also win others.

contested by the National Prog-

ressive Front (NPF) led the ruling

Baath Party and grouping five

The NPF bas named only 166

Diplomats said a wider pre-

sence of independents in the new

parliament would mean that most

shades of Syrian opinion would

be represented for the first time

in the 20-year rule of the govern-

ment of President Hafez Al

Independents were allocated

The voters poured into polling

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only 33 seats in the last election in

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Assad.

dent candidates than usual.

ried by the Middle East News Agency (MENA) said. Sbeikh Gadel Haq called on

the United Nations secretary general to send a fact finding mission to the territories to expose "the ugly crimes committed in Palestine hy Israelis against the owners of land.'

fundamentalist organisation officially hanned but tolerated by the government, Monday called for Arah and Muslim action "against" the repeated aggressions and ugly crimes committed against the heroic Palestinian people."

Egypt, which signed a peace 17/7. denounced the killings and hlamed Israel's reluctance to advance the peace process for the

first day of the general elections. Candidates offered soft drinks

to voters waiting at polling sta-

tions in Damascus in tempera-

tures over 30 degrees Centigrade.

Harba is expected to announce

the final results within 48 bours

after the polls close Wednesday

with six and a balf million people

There are no parties in Syria other than the NPF six — Baath,

Communist, Socialist Union,

Socialist Unionist, Arab Socialist

and Democratic Arah Socialist

Assad said last week Syria

would benefit from the political

experiences of other countries

hut would not copy from them.

comparisons with East European

governments swept from power

last year in a floweling of Western-

Syria bas consistently rejected

eligible to vote.

style democracy.

Interior Minister Mohammad

Iran urges attacks on Israeli interests

Meanwhile, Iran's Parliamentary Speaker Mehdi Karruhi urged Muslims Tuesday to unleash "revolutionary rage" against Israeli interests around the world in response to the killing of seven Arah workers by an The Muslim Brotherhood, a

One cannot deal with the United States and the Zionists exeept with the logic of force,"
Tehran Radio quoted Karrubi as telling parliament.

"By forming resistance cells and Hizbollah (Party of God) forces, Muslim nations should en-Zionist interests around the globe so that Zionists would not be safe from Muslim revolutionary rage anywhere in the

to ensure free, democratic and

He said the measures allowed

each candidate to monitor the

entire election process and that

secret rooms were installed in

each of the 7,834 voting centres.

which ended Saturday and was

described by observers as the

most lively for 20 years, candi-

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Some of the independent

candidates spent over four mil-

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Abdul Qader Qaddoura.

Among the candidates who in-

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Syrians vote for new parliament Harba said Monday his ministhe city. try had adopted several measures

> over the weekend. A diplomat who had gone to the airport earlier said he heard

> the attack. "There were about 13 rockets. They were small ones - the

the scene was turned hack hy a soldier just outside the perimeter. An army helicopter was seen

grand trihal assembly expected this week and the U.S.-Soviet summit in Washington at the end of this month, where the Afghan issue will be raised.

said one of the rockets had missed one of its Beechcraft twin engine planes Tuesday morning by about 150 metres.

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of staff, Brig.-Gen. Solomon Beattack KABUL (R) - A morning rocket barrage by U.S.-hacked rebels closed the airport in Afghanis-

tan's capital Kabul Tuesday. An airport spokesman contacted by telephone said rockets army corps commanders. were still landing intermittently. There were no reports of any

damage but the airport would be closed for the rest of the day. It was the first time in several months the airport had been closed as government troops and Mujahideen rebels fight their 12-

It was not clear where the attack came from, but the Kabul government has been fighting for five weeks against rebels in Paghman, about 20 kilometres north-

west of Kabul. Last week a government official said successes against the rebels there had substantially cut the number of rocket attacks on

But nearly 30 rockets hit Kabul

of two injuries but no deaths in

mortar type," be said.

Oue foreign journalist going to

circling the area. The guerrillas have stepped up their rocket attacks ahead of the

A United Nations official later

Frontline foes in S. Lebanon meet in the Jacuzzi By Peter Smerdon

Reuter

EBEL ES SAQI, Lebanon -Frontline foes in South Lebanon, seeking relief from checkpoints and armed confrontations, can now meet in the Jacuzzi at the Dana Recreation centre - provided they leave their guns behind.

Out of uniform, they can also mingle at the poolside, sweat in the sauna, drink in the bar, eat in the restaurant or browse through the shopping centre.

Dana, South Lebanon's first purpose-built recreation centre, is a very strange place in a very strange land.

"Since we opened on New Year's Eve we've had no security problems," said Shamekh Tayar, one of five partners who built Dana in a green valley just north of the border with Israel, at a cost so far of \$700,000. "You either leave your gun at

the gate or reception. If you don't, you will be asked to leave or we can call the U.N. military police to have you removed,' added Tayar, who also works for the Israeli-backed South Lebanon Army (SLA) militia. "All the facilities are meant to

make you feel like a human being

in this area. It shows that some people are for peace and not at all. for war."

Three members of the Norwegian battalion of the United Nations Interim Force in Lebanon (UNIFIL) sunned themselves on the plastic turf next to the pool. "It's very different to Oslo," observed one, who asked to be identified only as Peter. "But it's

the only swimming pool around." A right-wing politician who said he had been detained in Beirut for two months by a rival group recovered from his ordeal

by swimming laps in the pool. "It's very good at Dana..., joked Etienne Saqr, head of the Guardians of the Cedars Party. "No one shoots anybody and the UNIFIL soldiers keep very good

Dana, which means a large pearl in Arabic, accepts anyone as members provided they are out of uniform and unarmed. But so far no guerrillas are known to have applied.

The centre lies just inside what is known as "the blue line" territory controlled by UNIFIL and is also within Israel's self-declared "security zone" patrolled by the SLA and Israeli troops. The two areas overlap in

Membership of Dana costs \$40 a month or \$200 a year. More than 100 people have joined but the owners hope 500 will fill the centre beneath Mount Hermon

when it is completed. At the video rental shop, UNI-FIL soldiers can hire such films as Forgotten Warrior, whose star is depicted as a Rambo lookalike with a M-16 rife in one hand and a machete in the other.

For him the war has just begun," says the description on the cover. "One in which be will win or die... but never defeat." Some members consider this an accurate description of UNIFIL's role in the South..

SLA or Israeli personnel who arrive in uniform are permitted to stay at Dana for only an hour under an arrangement with the Norwegian battalion.

UNIFIL does not officially recognise the SLA, which has held the border zone since 1978, but refers to it as a DFF (de facto force). The Israeli military presence stops UNIFIL fulfilling its original task of deploying up to the border.

Tayar, the SLA liaison officer with the Norwegians, says Dana's owners do not fear attacks from

Palestinian or Lebanese guerrillas as the United Nations is responsible for security in the area.

Partner Simon Hamra, one of & 12 fonr Hamra brothers behind Dana, recognises it is an unusual investment but thinks it is well worth making. The tennis courts, gym and beauty parlour are expected to be completed in two

"Lebanon is unpredictable. It's risky here. We are close to Israel so we don't know if they will annex the area but it's high risk so high money," he says. "Its our town, our country."

"Wherever we go as Lebanese we are treated like second-class terrorists. But in our own country we're first-class," says Hamra, whose family also owns a poultry farm, pig farm, tile factory and engineering business. When we started investing

down here it was safer and more profitable in Beirut. But now with all the fighting there, it's much better to be here," he says. The Hamras plan to build 64 hotel rooms in two storeys on top of Dana," how many journalists come to the South?" asked Simon. Told they generally come only in time of trouble, he shrugged: "Well, it's all business."

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French tourists continue tour while wounded recuperate

By a Jerten Thees Statt Writer

AMMAN The four French ionsists, hospitalised after an attack on their bus Monday are in stable condition and can leave the formed at any time, Dr. Yousef Gonzous, acting director of the Humain Medical City, said Tuns-

"Medically speaking they can leave at any time but they are staying until Thursday for extra medical care. Gonssons sold the lordsn Times. They will leave back for Paris Saturday.

He said that Jordanian photographer Marwao Al Habe of Royal Tours, also injured in the attack, has a nerve injury and needs supervision.

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Onday.

A Palestinian gunnan, Ahmad Badwan, attacked a group of 32 French tourists in central Amman, apparently driven by his anger over Sunday's murder of eight Palestinians by an Israeli gunnan and the ensuing violence against the population in the occupied West Bank and Gaza

The Jordanian government has strongly condemned the attack which it called "harmful to the Jordanian people" and pledged. to deal firmly with any violation

Despite the attack, the tourists

NHF's activities

CAIRO (Petra) - Noor Al Hus-

sein Foundation (NHF) Director General Ina am Al Musti said

Taesday that Jordan had suc-

coccied in finding solutions to

problems facing the implementa-

tion of income-generating pro-

jeets for rural women in the Arab

In a working paper presented

to the conference on economic

and social challenges for the

1990s, currently held in Cairo, Musti said that NHF adopted an

integrated development approach

for carrying out its projects in the

fields of family planning and com-muity development in rural as

well as densely populated areas.

She cited the foundation's pro-

ject on "improvement on quality of life" which is correctly being

carried out in Sweimen in the

contral Jordan Valley area and

other income-generating projects for women as live examples of the

Musti called in her working paper for public participation in the planning, implementing and evaluating of the development

NHF approach.

programmes.

highlighted in

Cairo

conference



Photographer Mariesa Al Baha is visited by family members at the Hannels Medical City Monday where he is hospitalised for bullet washed injuries (Photo by Monay Allan)

who were not hospitalised and those who were treated for only minor injuries, were continuing their holiday in the Kingdom.

... "They are determined to adhere to their schedule, which includes visits to Petra and Agaba and will end their trip May 26," said a spokesman for Royal Tours, organisers of the group's

To demonstrate to the tourists that this is certainly not the norm in Jordan, the Jordan Hotelier Association and tourist agencies in the country are studying ways to "make it up" to the tourists.

U.S. deplores attack

In Washington, the U.S. State Department spokesman said the U.S. administration deplored Monday's attack, describing it as "tragic incident,"

"We slee understand that demonstrations occurred in the Al Bequa refugee camp near Amman, but were contained by Jordanian security forces," the spokesman said, adding that the camp "is reported calm at this

The Jordanian anthorities have acted quickly to contain the incidents, and we understand they are taking steps to ensure the security of foreign tourists and others visiting Jordan," he

> factured by at least 140 factories and industrial businesses in the Kingdom, according to the orga-The exhibition, which is to last until May 31, will display leather

at Yarmouk University products, engineering equipment, furniture, wooden doors, kitchens, paper and cardboard, equipment used in printing, chemicals, processed food, textiles and handierafts.

Al Hassan Industrial City in Irbid - a JD 7 million project is almost completed (Petra photo)

Industries to exhibit

According to Amman Chamber of Industry officials another industrial exhibition will be organised in Maan on the day of King Hussein's accession to the throne, in August, and another one in Zarqa on the King's Birthday on

The exhibition in Irbid comes after one held at the International Fair Centre in Marj Al Hamam

The fair, concluded last week, displayed materials used in the construction husiness by 64 Jordanian firms and factories. His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan visited the exhibimaceuticals, cosmetics, chemical

tion and was told that ID 15 million worth of locally produced construction materials were sold to foreign countries in 1989, np from JD 8.2 million in the previous year.

Earlier this week, the Jordan Industrial Estates Corporation (JIEC) announced that work at the Al Hassan industrial city in frhid was nearing completion.

The JD 7 million project has been supplied with the necessary infrastructure like water, electricity, roads and sewerage systems. but the vocational training centre and other services are still to be installed.

The new industrial city is expected to offer facilities to at least 80 factories which will benefit from tax and other duty exemptions in the initial years of opera-

Death of Palestinians spark world condemnation

embassies in Amman Tuesday issued statements condemning standstill. The Palestinians in the trained two Palestinian villagers the shooting of innocent Palestiman workers in the occupied Arab territories last Sunday.

crime committed against the workers near Tel Aviv which resulted in the death of eight people and the injury of many more, according to a statement by the Spanish embassy here.

The statement also condemned Israel's practices and repressive measures against the Palestinian people and said that the events in the occupied land reflect the aggressive nature of Israel.

The Spanish government calls for direct dialogue between the Israelis and the Palestinians as a first step towards finding a peaceful settlement to the Arab-Israeli conflict," the statement said.

The statement from the embassy of Japan, ran as follows:

I. The government of Japan deeply deplores the rifle shooting incident which occurred in a suburb of Tel Aviv, Israel, on May 20 and the subsequent escalation of the situation which caused heavy casualties. The government of Japan expresses its deep sympathy for the Palestinian victims and their families and hopes that those injured will recover

2. Japan is seriously concerned that this incident may bring about further escalation of the situation in the occupied territories, and calls upon those involved, particularly on the Israeli side, to exercise self-restraint in coping with the situation.

3. The incident itself seems to be of a personal motivation, but the reason for the ensuing escalation is that the Middle East peace

the Palestinian problem, is at a military response more resoccupied territories are living under severe political, economic, and social conditions, while a The Spanish government just, lasting and comprehensive strongly deplores this atrocious peace in the Middle East has remained unrealised for a long

> The government of Japan strongly hopes that a new Israeli government will he speedily formed and proceed to an early solution to the problem of peace in the Middle East.

In a statement issued by UN-RWA offices in Vienna, distrihuted here by UNRWA offices in Amman, the organisation has expressed its deep distress and concern at the heavy toll of casualties resulting from clashes in the West Bank and Gaza Strip vesterday (Sunday 20 May 1990) during protests over the killing of seven Palestinians by an Israeli gunman near Tel-Aviv.

At least six Palestinians were killed and more than 700 wounded when Israeli forces used live ammunition, beatings and teargas to disperse demonstrations which erupted spontaneously on the news of the killings in Israel - one of the worst outhursts since the beginning of the Palestinian uprising 29 months ago.

During Sunday's incidents in the Gaza Strip, four Palestinians, including a woman, were shot dead by soldiers - two in Rafah refugee camp, one in Beach camp and one in Sheikh Radwan refugee quarter. More than 600 Palestinians were treated at UN-RWA clinics or local hospitals in the Gaza Strip. Of these, 519 had been shot - 382 with live ammunition and 137 with plasticcovered steel balls.

In the West Bank, where pro-

AMMAN (J.T.) - Two foreign process, especially in respect of tests were more scattered and the were shot dead and dozens wounded in the day of protest.

During Sunday's disturbances. UNRWA staff members helped evacuate the wounded and delivered medical supplies to clinics and hospitals. All UNRWA health centres overwhelmed with casualties were providing first aid medical care and treated severely wounded patients before their referral to bospitals.

A general curfew on the Gaza Strip confined 650,000 people, most of them refugees, to their houses. Curfews imposed on all of the Gaza Strip and wide areas of the West Bank today brought virtually all UNRWA education. health and relief services to a

In the West Bank, the Israeli authorities had ordered all schools closed today even before curiews were declared. UNRWA medical service in both Gaza and the West Bank were operating today on an emergency basis, with regular preventive health care and mother-and-child clinics suspended as some of the medical staff were not allowed in.

In Berne, Arab ambassadors accredited to Switzerland issued a statement Monday evening condemning as a hrutal massacre the cold blooded killing of eight Arah workers in the occupied territor-

The statement urged world public opinion in general and the Swiss government in particular to voice their condemnation of the massacre which, it, said, constituted another link in a long chain of inhuman practices committed hy Israel against the Arah people

American women of Amman to hold meeting/workshop

AMMAN (J.T.) - The Amer- Jordan, ican women of Amman have announced their intention to hold

By Ziyad Al Shilleh

Special to the Jordan Times

IRBID - An industrial exhibi-

tion will be opened at Yarmouk

University in Irbid Wednesday

under Royal patronage as part of

the Kingdom's celebration of its

independence day which falls on

The exhibition, organised hy

the Amman Chamber of Industry

together with the Irhid Chamber

of Commerce and Yarmouk Uni-

versity is expected to display sam-

ples of industrial products manu-

and plastic products, phar-

Friday May 25.

A statement issued by the

a general meeting at the Marriott group said that a beauty work-Hotel in Amman Monday June 4 shop will be held at the meeting and invited members, guests and on June 4 in which presentations all interested people to attend. concerning skin care, make up The group normally organises and hair care, colour analysis and fundraising events benefitting a nail care will be given by local local charitable histitutions in the about expense of the second charitable histitutions in the second charitable histitution histitutio



The theatre troupe of the French Cultural Centre, which Wednesday presents a play at the Royal Cultural Centra in Amman entitled Tranches de vie' (Slices of Life), comprising Jordanian, Syrian and French actors, intends to introduce the sufficience to a rather unusual sort of thestre in Jordan through the so-called cafe-theatre. In

France, the cafe-theatre was originally a place where people would go to consume food and drink and to enjoy watcing a show not confined to the rules of the drama. With time it got to mean a show offering a series of comic sketches ranging from light humour to satire. The play will show until Saturday May 26.

Unions stress need for national unity

AMMAN (Petra) - Council of on the land of Jordan is by the act the presidents of the professional unions affirmed the need to keep Jordan invincible and steadfast in the face of the dangers and challenges facing it, particularly the Zionist danger. In a meeting Tuesday, under the chairmanship of Mamdouh Abbadi, the council stressed the need to maintain and boost the national unity and the democratic march.

Abbadi said the Zionist enemy was not able to repress the courageous Palestinian intifada and it was trying to weaken it through undermining the national unity d the democracy is Jordan. possible for Jordan support the "Any drop of blood spilled Palestinian uprising. and the democracy is Jordan.

of israel which does not want for this country security, stability nor democracy." Abbadi said. He added that the marches

which occurred in Jordan to express the Jordanian people's anger with Israeli atrocities last Sunday divert the attentions from the massacre, which serves only Israeli interests.

Everyone, Abbadi said, should do their best and practice selfrestraint to keep Jordan strong, secure and stable to be able to confront the Zionist enemy's conspiracies and plans and make it

lauds Jordan's

officials Tuesday praised the Jordanian economic reform programme, and described the economic situation in Jordan as stable

News Agency, Petra, at the conclusion of their visit to Jordan. several World Bank executive directors said that Jordan directs special attention to drawing up policies, aimed at enhancing the role of the private sector in the

problems of each development sector and proposing the proper solutions will have great impact on correcting the economic path.

Seminar on handicapped highlights role of media in changing attitudes

Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN - What is the first thing that crosses your mind when you see a handicapped "Drow, "a Bellian" journalist person? How do you read? Do "Wild produces had directs a your reactions and your words stem from pity, sadness, fear, uncertainty or are you able to interact with the handicapped person the way you do with a person who is not disabled?

Reluctant and afraid

A four-day workshop which ended Tuesday focused on promoting the image of the handicapped persons through the media. The society of today perceives the handicapped people as different and 'abnormal' and looks at them with awe when they are able to sing, play music, or perform any given task that ordinary person cam do.

"This is the kind of attitude we want to change. The hand-icapped people do not want to be seen as odd compared to the rest of the world. They want to be part of it. They have the right to be part of it; to integrate," says Ghusoon Kareh, director of Young Women Muslim Association (YWMA) for special education and one of the organisers of the workshop which was attended by radio and television producers as well as directors from various institutions for the handicapped, including Isabelle television programme which opens a new outlook towards

the handicapped people.

The weekly programme, called Equilibrium, shows the abilities of the handicapped people rather than what most programme tend to relay the negative.

"It noticed while working on the project that if the problems of the handicapped are portrayed, nobody wants to get close to the person (and that goes for anybody), while if I highlighted the positive aspect, and showed that people are all equal, with rights and duties, then the handicapped got a better response from the public," Drow explains.

Through the programme, she was able to note how the public changed their attitude through feedback from letters, telephone calls. "They discovered that handicapped people are human, independent and lead a private life."

Although Drow has faced several obstacles while launching her programme, she claims, with pride illuminating

her face, "my programme is very successful in Belgium. I have been able to trigger a new vision, a new attitude that was not there before, that was not understood. It proves the power of the mass media. . . She says she came to Jordan

to attend the workshop, to

belp other journalists understand the role of the media in altering the image of the handicapped "because the media is not very good at portraying the handicapped persons in a realistic manner" and to give ideas on an outline with which journalists could work in order

to provide the public with a According to Kareh, one of the issues the workshop is tackling is to work towards educational programmes within the designed plan to ensure the correct attitude the handicapped persons deserve. "We are targeting for educational programme towards professional people who work with the

the public at large." The question was whether to have specialised programme for the handicapped or to mix short programme with others

handicapped, the families and

work better at achieving the

for variety.

Some participants believed a specialised programme would saying that most people will not listen to a whole programme dedicated to the handicapped people. But the objective of the

goal and others disagreed

workshop was to create a plan that would ultimately after the terminology used in addressing the handicapped people. For example, Kaleh said, "we want the public to refer to them with more respect and stop using words like 'retarded' or 'abnormal' or 'disabled' when they are actually able to do many things.'

She added: "We want to change the style with which the handicapped are perceived and to alter the content of the programmes that make the public pity the handicapped people." "The key to achieving this reform is the mass media, especially the radio and

television." According to Fahed Salameh, who works at the

radio as a news editor and is also hlind: "Society has a big social problem. They are afraid and reluctant to get close to a handicapped person. Maybe they feel threatened that it could easily happen to them or their child. But, this is where the role of the media should

Jordan committed NATIONAL NEWS IN BRIEF to protect **King congratulates West Germany** World Bank the environment AMMAN (Petra) — His Majesty King Hussein Tuesday sent a cable of good wishes to the West German president on his

AMMAN (Petra) - Ministry of Municipal and Rural Affairs and the Environment Secretary General Awad Al Tal Tuesday stressed the importance of cooperation and coordination in protecting the environment.

He says that "environment ssues have become a common concern for all the world countries, than an individual con-

Addressing the opening session of the two days meetings of a joint committee, representing the Arab Cooperation Council (ACC) states, Tal said that Jordan had drafted a proposal for an agreement on protecting environment including the criteria and legislations to be followed, as well as a national strategy for environment protection.

country's celebration of constitution day. In the cable the King expressed Jordan's wishes for Germany to achieve unity. Jordan to celebrate Independence day

AMMAN (J.T.) - A public holiday will be observed in Jordan Thursday to mark Jordan's independence anniversary which falls Friday. A statement from the prime minister's office said that all government offices and public organisations will remain closed on Thursday May 24 on the anniversary of the Kingdom's independence. The prime minister is holding a reception Thursday evening expected to be attended by His Majesty King Hussein and Jordanian officials.

Bisheh leaves for Italy

AMMAN (Petra) - Director of the Department of Antiquities Ghazi Bisheh left for Rome Tuesday on a several day visit to Italy, during which he will deliver lectures about antiquities and archaeology at the Rome-based Institute of Middle East studies, and Florence University. Bisheh will also hold talks with Italian officials on possibilities of contributing to restoration projects and developing the department laboratory. Bisheh will also attend the Jordanian mosaic exhibition which will be held Monday.

Japanese ambassador visits Wahdat centre

AMMAN (Petra) — Japan's Ambassador to Jordan Tadayuk Nonoyama Tuesday visited the vocational training centre at Wahdat and was briefed on the training programmes and services offered to the female trainees. The centre, set up by the vocational training corporation, is one of seven centres financed through contributions from the World Bank and the Japanese government. A total of 60 trainees at the Wahdar centre learn: dress making, weaving, typing, ceramic.

Archaeologists hope to find 2000 years old artefacts

IRBID (Petra) - Archaeological teams grouping specialists and archaeologists from the Department of Antiquities and Toronto University in Canada have embarked on a second season of excavations at Al Ayoun district near the town of Deir Abi Saeed to unearth antiquities dating back to around 1000 B.C. A spokesman for the Irbid Department of Antiquities said the archaeologists would try to discover artefacts revealing more about the industrial and agricultural civilisation of the area as well as burial customs of the period.

The department Director Sulan Al Shreideh said that Jordanian. Swedish and Danish teams were already involved in excavation work at Tal Al Fukhar, near the border town of Ramtha; an archaeological team from Yarmouk University will embark on a similar task at Basileh, east of Huwara, and Qweileh where they hope to unearth a Roman theatre and burial places.

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Kodak agents in Jordan to attend conference

AMMAN (J.T.) - As part of their commitment to the Jordanian bealth sciences market, Murad Technical and Trading Est, the Kodak health sciences distributors in Jordan, are participating in the first radiologists. conference/exhibition held in Amman, Kodzk health sciences products include: the well-known quality X-ray film, processing and mountight film handling equip-ment, the laser printer (KELP), and for the first time in the region, the latest technology in chest imaging which is the advanced multiple beam equalisation radiography (AMBER)

The conference will include scientific lectures which are experied to continue on the 24 and 25 of this month. A or pas menu.

WHAT'S GOING ON EXHIBITIONS

- ★ Exhibition of paintings and sculptures by five Jordanian artists at Abdul Hamsed Shoman Foundation (10:00 a.m. 5:00 p.m.)
 ★ Exhibition of paintings by Randa Berouti at Goethe Institute.
 ★ Art exhibition by Mahasoud Taha at the Royal Cultural Centre.
 ★ Photographic exhibition of Indian industry at Yarmouk Uni-
- versity.

 4 Exhibition displaying traditional Syrian handicraft by Syrian women, and hand-printed textile by Mustafa Fathi at the

reform programme AMMAN (Petra) - World Bank

and promising.

In a statement to the Jordan

Jordanian economy.

They said that tackling the

* Lecture, in Arabic, entitled "Is there any future for the Arab World?" by Dr. Abdul Azim Anis at Abdul Hameed Shoman Foundation - 6:30 p.m.

THEATRE

* French play entitled "Tranches des vies" at the Royal Cuitural Centre - 8:15 p.m.

FILMS

★ Two French films on art, shown at part of the plastic art film week, at Alia Art Gallery — 6:30 p.m.

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Time for calm, collected reaction

THE Sunday massacre of Arab workers in Israel can still be the mark that should galvanise the entire Arab World into maniful and positive action. With the Baghdad summit just one week abead, the killing of Palestinians by an Israeli "digenerate," the Palestinian cause is poised to top the Arzh leaders' agenda when they convene their extraordinary summit May 28. As it has been said over and over again, the lorsell atrocities against the Arab peoples everywhere, especially against Palestinians in the occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip and the continued trampling on their legisimate and malienable rights is attributable first and foremost to cratinued Arab inaction and deep division on major issues and dangers that threaten the Arab Nation. The noise that the Arab peoples have been hearing lately to the effect that the Arab capitais are seeking U.N. resolutions on the situation in the West Bank and Gaza Strip is obviously not the kind of action that they are yearning for or aspling to. Lest the Arab leaders continue to misread their peoples' rentiments, they are better advised to take note of her massive anger that is sweeping through the entire Arab World against traditional Arab summits, the resolutions of which often wither away as soon as the leaders head home,

The orgoing surge of Arab euphoria on the eve of the Eaghdad summit is more superficial than real. Unless and ਪਕਟੀ the Arab leaders fundamentally change their course and persectives about what really should be done to resolve major Arab issues, there is no way they are going to win the confidence and the faith of their peoples. In all honesty and fairness, the Arab peoples' attention is focused more on the Arab countries that have the clout and strength to do samething meanineful about the sorrowful state of Arab effairs. The enus of responsibility naturally falls on the shoulders of mighty Arab states and the anger and fury of the Arab masses would logically be directed against them if they fail the Arab World once again.

There is little doubt now that the summer of 1990 is destined to be one of the bottest seasons ever confronting the Arab World. The approaching Arab summit will serve as an ample venue to test the will of the Arab leaders in the face of the dangers and challenges confronting the nation. If the Aran leaders fail to arrive at resolutions for a serious reaction to these dangers and challenges, Arab history would not be merciful in assessing their leadership. By the same token. Arab reaction to Israeli atrocities must continue to be channelled in the right direction. There is nothing worse than having the Arab masses fan out their anger in the twong direction or allow extremist opportunities to exploit their rightful fury for their own selfish purposes. This is a time for a calm and collected reaction that stand to reap tangible results for the Palestinian cause.

Jordan Press Editorials

Jordanian dailies on Tuesday dwelt on the assault on a French group of tourists in Amman and also on the current situation in the occupied Arab lands where the Israelis are escalating their oppression on the civilian population.

Al Ra'i daily referred to the attack on the tourists and it said could by no means reflect the manage, nor can it be described as humanitarian or essued. What happened at the Roman amphibleatre in Amman was an attack on our guests who normally find velcome and hospitality in Jordan, and was indeed an act of suicide directed against our own interests, the paper noted. It said that the attack on the tourists sbocked all Jordanians who were at the time following news about the massacre in the occupied Arab territories committed by the Zionists. The attack car, early deal a harmful blow, not only to the Jordanian people but also to the oppressed Palestinians who are fighting for their freedom, the paper said. Such attacks are self defeating because we know who the real enemy is and who we should fight to regain our rights, the paper continued. The paper wished all the injured speedy recovery and expressed hope that there will be no recurrence of such shameful deeds that are harmful to the Arab image.

Sowt Al Sharb referred to Israel's massacring of Arabs last Sunday which, it said, reflected the true barbaric image of the Zionists who are uppressing the defenceless Palestinians. Referring to the day as the "black Sunday." the paper said that the crime committed on May 20 can only reaffirm the world community's conviction that the Zionists are nothing but criminals, proving their character over the oast four decades in Palestine and elsewhere in the world. But the paper noted that despite the enormity of the developments and the atrocities, the Arab countries are still divided as they had been three or four decades ago and that nothing, even the shedding of blood in Palestine has been able to unify their stand and prompt them to take a collective action to stop israel's atrocities. The paper said that the Zionists will now exploit the attack on the French tourists in Amman to divert world public attention from the situation inside the occupied Arab territories, and try to mar relations between France and Jordan. The paper warned against such rash and acwardly actions like the attack that occurred Monday in Amman, and said nothing should divert the world community's attention from israel's practices if the Arabs are truly oriented to help their brothers and sisters regain freedom.

Al Dustour strongly condemned the attack on the French tourists in Amman as serving the objectives of the Zionist enemy alone. The paper said that the Israelis were Monday exploiting the attack in their media campaigns against the Arabs and trying to divert world public attention from the atrocities committed by Israeli settlers and troops inside the occupied Arab lands.

Economic Forum

Pushing back the frontiers of public sector

acterise the Jordanian economy and bave bad farreaching operational implications. First, it is an open economy based on economic freedom and private initiative. Economie openness and freedom go band in band because a truly open economy must be free and vice versa. No party or school of thought would seriously dispute the reasonableness of the former or the necessity of the later. Generally speaking, our economic policy has been loyal to these dogmas and Jordanians themselves are apparently united in their attitude in this respect. Nevertheless our public sec-

long time. The glaring example is the budget deficit. Large public sectors and big governments entail bage public spending. With a narrow base of domestic revenues, the Jordanian government could not balance its accounts without the continued inflow of external aid. Now that economie disorder and fiscal disequilibrium bave emerged and external aid is sbrinking beyond lines of tolerance, we have to reform our economy

now we bave a "big govern-

ment," at least by Jordanian standards. This has given us

some pretty nasty beadaches

which we cannot tolerate for a

budget deficit until it is eliminated.

Naturally, fiscal equilibrium is restored through boosting. domestic public revenues, which entails raising more taxes in a situation already beavily charged with high tax rates. This academic solution will not work without damaging production incentives and thereby the economic fabric.

The alternative is to curb public spending, which is a very difficult solution in the presence of a big public sector. This was exactly what we discovered lately when we wanted. to compress our budget deficit : in accordance with the requisites of our accord with the International Monetary Fund. We simply found that public spending is not adequately compressible. Sooner or later, but better sooner, we will also. discover that we cannot trim out budget deficit without trimming our public sector. In other words, there is a need to privatise the Jordanian economy. Privatisation here does not refer to its very narrow sense of taking one or ten public enterprises into private ownership but pushing back the whole frontiers of the pub-

lic sector. The other characteristic feature of the Jordanian economy is the small domestic market. Several conclusions follow, but have to enlarge our domestic market through integrating it with other Arab markets. Strategically speaking, the future of the Jordanian economy is closely and firmly linked with the future of the pan-Arab economy. Here is one very good reason why the Jordanian economic policy should be formulated and geared towards promoting Arab economie integration

programmes, without being detained or discouraged by the setbacks which faced this integration during the last decade. Another very good reason is that we have to export our surplus labour. There ... Arab economic integration.

will be no successful solution to the unemployment dilemma without depending on Arab labour markets. This has to be the case for a long time to come and until we shall have transformed the Jordanian economy into one which creates as many jobs as the labourers it produces. But even then, a Jordanian economy in this perceived great shape will need the larger Arab markets to take in its exports of goods and services. This

By Dr. Abdalla Malki

emphasises, even further the need of Jordan to have an open economy that has a constant access to Arab markets and does signify the importance of

Robert Maxwell: An opportunist furthering Zionist extremism

By Walid M. Awad

tor expanded over time and

The writer, a Palestinian, is currently preparing for a Ph.D. on the intifada at Bradford University, England. He publishes a monthly newsletter, Green Planning, that covers topical issues pertaining to the

Robert Maxwell appeared twice on British television in the second week of May 1990. Both appearances were in relation to his new venture, the publishing of The European

In neither of these two interviews did the interviewer ask Mr Maxwell about the reasons behind his total commitment to publish this newspaper. A profit-minded businessman, pubbsher and politician like Mr Maxwell would certainly evaluate and weigh the financial viability of such a venture before publicly committing himself to the continuous publishing of this newspaper indefinitely, regardless of its cost. As such, this would appear to any observer as a total commitment on a matter of extreme importance to Mr Maxwell, the politician.

In these interviews, Mr Maxwell spoke of supporting European unity and opposing anyone woo goes against it. He talked about the children of Europe, Russian children, German, English etc... living in peace and harmony. This of . course can only be commend-

Not so long ago, however, Mr Maxwell's actions seemed to contradict his present position. Late in 1989 be was seen on television embracing Eric Honecker, the disgraced ex-Communist leader of East Germany, who did not even recognise the responsibility of East Germany towards the Holocaust. He was full of praise for the ex-dictator of Romania. Nicolai Ceaucescu, wbo along with Eric Honecker, were symbols of the cold war and of a divided Europe. Both Honecker and Ceaucescu are bistory now, no thanks to Mr

Maxwell. Therefore, one cannot but agree with the supporters of the "Pergammon 23". who were sacked by Maxwell's Oxford-based publishing house, carrying placards saying

through the barnessing of the

- "If Benb's un European, nous sommes des Bananes." In 1988, shortly after the start of the Palestinian uprising in the occupied territories, and as a result of the damage caused to Israel's image in the West, due to its "iron fist" policy employed to suppress the entire Palestinian population in the occupied territories, Mr Maxwell, like many other Jews from around the world, came to Israel's rescue. On this occasion Mr Maxwell arrived in Israel full of zealous enthusiasm. He declared his support for Yitzhak Shamir and his right-wing Likud party. He wrote an article for the English daily the Jerusalem Post and appeared on Israeli TV speaking in English, calling on Jews everywhere not to forget the holocaust and Nazi Germany. He tried to buy the Jerusalem Post - then a left-of-centre newspaper critical of Shamir, and his party, with pragmatic views on the solution of the Palestinian / Israeli conflict, to add to his media empire. He did not succeed, but he did buy the right-wing Hebrew Maariv

The question of Maxwell's motivation is of extreme importance to me because I am a Palestinian and my children are Enropeans and Palestinians equally. The Likud party which Mr Maxwell so fervently supports is a party totally hostile to any notion of peace in the Middle East. It rejects any territorial compromise which could lead to a peaceful solution; it openly supports and encourages Jewish immigrants to settle in East Jerusalem and the rest of the occupied territories. This party has amongst its members people like Ariel Sharon, who was found by an Israeli tribunal to be responsible for the mass murder of Palestinians in the Sabra and Shattila refugee camps in 1982,

and people who believe in the concept of "transfer"- mass deportations of Palestinians from their homes and their

Mr Maxwell supports a party plementing the vision of a Greater Israel a party that the whole of the civilised world finds to be an obstacle to peace in the Middle East. In the Arab World, Shamir's policies are pushing the Arab moderates straight into the hands of the radicals. Slowly but surely the Middle East is itching towards war. Such a war will for the first time in history have nuclear and chemical dimensions. the fall out of which, will not . be limited to the Middle East, and will almost certainly reach Europe, its Europeans and beyond.

Had Mr Maxwell not supported Mr Shamir and his Likud party, one would not have had sufficient grounds to

Peace to replace despair

he supported the peace camp in Israel, he would have been admired. As he stands now, to me he is nothing but an opportunist working from his angle

dren. Let us hope and pray that such suffering will never reach the children of Europe, and that the children of the Holy Land can also live in peace and harmony.

to farther Shamir's dreams of question his motivation. Had creating Greater Israel. Shamir's dream will never come true. However, the pursuit of his dream is causing a lot of suffering to Palestinian chil-

By Walid M. Awad

IN 1967 East, Jerusalem fell to the Israeli army, in 1990 Israeli soldiers are still firing, In 1967 the Israeli occupiers began erecting multi-storey blocks of and the city to he new Jewish immigrants, dislorting in the process the city's historical view and wasting its natural beauty. Most recently Jerusalem was labelled a disgrace by Dr Daivd Jenkins - the Bishop of Durham (UK).

Twenty-two years on, the Israeli occupation has created a subsistance economy in the occupied territories, no work, no money and no welfare. The general state of health is deteriorating and infant mortality rates, particularly in refugee

camps, have increased. Entire hitles often suffer from

nevere shortages of food and other essential supplies. Children and young men are targeted for harranginent and intimidution, thousands have bullet shot wounds and many more have been imprisoned. A stagnast and starved education system coupled with prolonged periods of closure of school colleges and universities has caused high levels of lilliteracy est Palestinian children and destroyed ambitions and prospects for thousands . of would-be graduates.

The Intifada is the Palestinian people's response to this occupation. Its main aims are.

freedom and independence. These are being asserted by the positive process of expanding economic self-sufficiency through utilizing more land for agriculture, the development of home economies and the build-

The occupation authorities do not allow funds to enter the occupied territories uniess special permission is granted. Such funds are desperately needed as is the mechanism to direct them, particularly to the rural areas where the brunt of the occupation's brutal economic repressive measures bave been felt the most. Funds are needed to help the people of these areas to cultivate more of their land, conserve the soil, purchase fertilisers, grain, plants, agri-

cultural machinery, and to enable" them manage any re-sources available to them efficiently.

As the occuation uses econo

mic means to achieve political ends, it is very difficult in this letter to détach economie hardships from political aspirations. It is important however. to state that all funds generated by G.P will be used exclusively towards implementing the above objectives. We would therefore welcome any contributions from any quarters who identify or sympathise with our stated aims.

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TTERS

Unfortunate events

To the Editor:

THE unfortunate events that erupted in Jordan Monday night and continued Tuesday are but a cry for belp from people who have kept fears and frustration inside for years over their uncertain future. Many of those who took to the streets Monday night and Tuesday, expressing anger over the U.S. policy in the Middle East and the weak official Arab position concerning the question of Palestine, were young people who were not allowed to express their anger in the past.

The clashes that took place between the protesters and the security forces is an occurance that could happen in any democratic society, for we see it in Britain, for example. Their expression of anger went beyond the confines of the law and caused unnecessary and unfortunate results. But this is expected in any democratic state and we do not believe that these occurances will continue, for both the state and the people are more aware that they should not shift world attention from the serious incidents taking place in the Israeli-occupied territories.

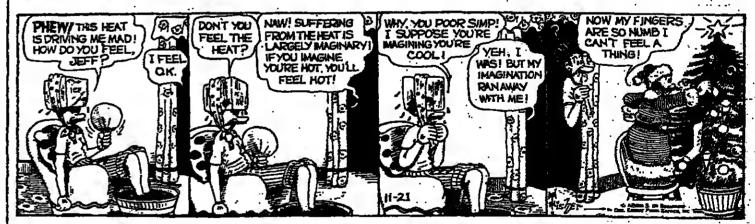
With the Arab summit coming up on May 28, the people are crying for help to their Arab leaders to take a firm position on the Palestinian issue. They fear that the intifada bas not been able to achieve the Palestinians' goals and aspirations of establishing their independent state on their national soil in Palestine. The people in Jordan are afraid and angry that the intifada is not receiving enough official Arab support and that the blood of martyrs continues to spill with no positive results in the peace process.

What is happening is that the people are expressing their solidarity with the Palestinian suffering inside the occupied territories. The people need to feel that there is nothing to worry about: that their Arab leaders will take a strong position and come out that a pair of actions in sancia strong position.

Israel to his a half to the Soviet Jewish sentement is the oc territories and to go forward in the peace process, giving a streak of hope that there is a chance for Palestinian independence and an end to Israeli occupation. Perhaps when the leaders can provide this bope, people's emotions will calm down.

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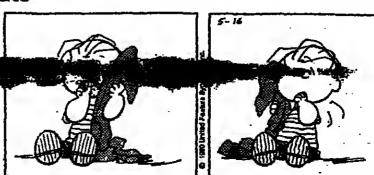
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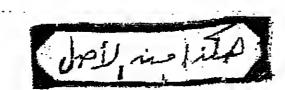


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Flesh-eating pest threatens Mideast, E. Europe and Asia

Route. The appearance in-Libya of a highly destructive unsex pear from the Americas threaters broaded with the eas livestock, wildlife and even humans and, unless swiftly eradicated on the spot, it could spread through Africa and into the Middle East, southern Burope and Asia, the UN Food and Agriculture Organisation (FAO) has warned

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The pest is the new world screwworm (NWS) fly, a parasite of all warm-blooded animals that is the most destructive insect pest of livestock in the Americas. FAO confirmed a year ago that it has been found. outside the Americas for the first time, apparently carried to Libys in the transport of an infested animal from South America.

At present, the parasite is confined to an area of approxmately 18,000 square kilometers, 30 kilometers south of Pripoli and 60 kilometres east of the border with Tunisis. But if it is not cradicated, FAO. said, it will spread throughout Africa to the Middle East, southern Europe and eventually into Asia.

"It is still technically feasible to eradicate the screwwyorm using sterile male flies, but once it becomes established in tropical Africa that will be impossible at any price," FAO Director General Edouard Saouma said in a statement. "The damage to wildlife, including already endangered species, would be devastating.

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A Lower House statement,

read out in Jordan Television by

Speaker Sulciman Arari

appealed to the citizens to "re-

main calm and preserve and pro-tect the security and stability of

the country and refrain from

The statement, adopted by the special session of the House, part of

Israeli enemy May 20 against the

Palestinian people and the repressive measures that followed the killing of

the eight workers in occupied Pakes-

crimes and killings characterising the

terrorist Jowish organisations, which

are still in force against the Palesti-

an people. The House members view these

massacres as a scrious escalation threatening the adstance of Araba in their Palestinian boundard, paving the way for evacuating the Palestinian land so as so settle new leavant immigrants.

The deputies are of the view, that

all these could accer have happened had issued and its ellies, particularly the United States, felt that the Arab

Nation has realised the danger and prepared for it by bolatering the Palestinian people's stand and supporting the Palestinian uprising.

The Arab Nation should find a

way to end this deteriorating situation and close its ranks and muster its will.

leaders to bring comfort to the Arab Nation and end their differences and

respond to the Israels crimes by adopting a concertor action that would support the Palestinian people and enhance their stendinstness and their upraising.

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The deputies call on the Arab.

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the occupied territories.

This is truly a now cor-Bever situation." The only method of eradicating the screwworm is to release miltions of sterile male flies over the infested area from the air while maintaining strict surveillance, animal movement control and preventive treatment on the ground. The method was used to eradicate the pest from the United States and most of Mexico.

North African countries alone would exceed \$250 million a

The New World Screwworm is a dark blue-green insect with orange eyes, slightly larger than n housefly. It resembles the bluebottle flies that lay eggs on dead,meat, but it attacks living creatures. Its scientifie name is Cochliomyia hominivorax,

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If the screwworm is allowed to spread, it said, the estimated cost of control for the 70 million head of livestock in the five

home of preparedness and any

strength given to Jordan is strength given to the Palestine cause and any

harm that could come to Jordan

would be like a breach in the strong wall that is stopping largel from ful-filling its dreams of seizing further

"The deputies, who realise the

dimension of the serious threats

posed by Israel against peace, call on the nations of the world and all world

parliaments and all peace-loving

forces to do all they can to stop

Icwish immigration into Palestine which is helping Israel to evade all pesse natistives and implementation of all resolutions.

Speaker Arar also read out

another statement which ran as fol-

brotherly relations binding the two

wings of the one united people on the West and the East Banks of Jordan

that the brothers on the East Bank

expressed their solidarity with the

people of Palestine in the light of their ordeal and daily sufferings and oppression at the bands of the Israeli

"The people in the East Bank took

a poble stand in expressing their views and their support in abnouncing their condemnation of their support

and in amouncing their condemna-tion of what is happening on the West Bank, and in demanding that the people of Palestine receive further financial and moral support for the steadfast people in Palestine.

"Some of the processions which

occurred in Jordan expressed the true

brotherly feelings and support. But certain incidents occurred in certain

areas caused duringe to property and stirred confusion that tend only to

split the people's ranks in a country which embraces the one united peo-

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in cavities like the nose and eyes. The eggs hatch into larvae that eat deeply into the living flesh. Unless treated, the host

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dan extending support for the Palesti-nians and so this enemy has attemp-

ted to encourage unorthodox and

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unity of the Jordanian people and this enemy has been seeking to create dissension aimed to end the Jorda-

nian state, which serves as a natural

extension and a strategic depth for Palestine with the aim of solving the

problem of absorbing the new Jewish

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The deputies call on the citizens of

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including the pupal stage, can be as short as three weeks. The sterile insect technique (SIT) works because the female fly, mating with a sterile male, lays eggs that do not batch, and the life cycle is broken.

The world's only facility producing sterile male screwworm flies is operated by the Mexico-United States Screwworm Eradication Commission at Tuxtla Gutierrez, Chiapas, in southern Mexico. In March, the U.S. government authorised the sale of the flies to FAO.

FAO will hold a consultation at its Headquarters in Rome on 18 May to alert donors to the need for emergency funds. The International Fund for Agricultural Development (IFAD) will then call a pledging confer-

The Government of the Libyan Arab Jamahiriya already has spent more than \$7.5 miltion to fight the screwworm. FAO altocated \$2.3 million to regional action through its Technical Cooperation Programme and the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP) provided \$250,000 within Libya. Other cooperating bodies include the FAO International Atomie Energy Agency Joint Division.

Thanks largely to such programmes and funds, the screwworm so far has been cootained, but the danger will not abate unless it is eradicated.

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Violence United Yemen is born

struggle until victoy," the demonstra-

tors chanted.
The Jordan News Agency, Petra, confirmed the deaths in north. "Some sorrowful incidents which resulted in the death of a young boy in Irbid and another citizen who was hit by a bullet hit by a gun carried by one of the protesters in a protest in Hittin camp," it said

"Some injuries in Amman, Irbid and Bequa were also reported when some protesters tried to go against the warnings of the security police and attacking cars and buildings," the

news agency added.

It said 25 people were injured, including two police officers, as well as several citizens who were treated for tear-gas inhalation. They received first-aid treatment and most left hospital immediately, according to Petra. Two student marches look place inside the University of Jordan during which protesters chanted anti-Israeli

slogans and condemnation of countries supporting it, mainly the United Tuesday evening, a peaceful rally was beld in Al Hussein camp by

was beld in Al Hussein camp by around 700 protesters carrying Jordanian and Palestinian flags as well as black flags protesting the death of marryrs in the occupied territories. The head of the police unit at the scene said that there were no injuries

and no problems and that the protest ended peacefully as it started At the Begas camp, residents and security forces clashed with stones

and tear-gas for most of the day. Riot police also opened fire inot the air to disperse protesters (see separate story on page 1). The violence petered off by late Tuesday.

In Al Wihdat camp, protesters attacked police cars and security forces dispersed them with tear-gas

and gunfire in the air. Several injuries were reported. Calm was restored to the camp after persistent efforts by Parliament members from the constituency (see separate story on page 1).
In Hittin, demonstrations were re-

sumed Tuesday afternoon and protesters used fire arms against police and set ablaze police vehicles, injuring a police driver. Petra said. The security forces opened fire

into the air and lobbed tear-gas cannisters," Petra said. "One citizen was wounded and killed by gunfire from another protester," according to the

news agency,
In Zarqa, demonstrations continued until Tuesday evening, but no serious incidents were reported.

The professional associations issued a statement Tuesday evening calling on citizens participating in the protests in the different parts of the Kingdom to "be aware of this critical stage and be steadfast to the people's national unity and always be cateful of attempts, aware or unaware, which may bring harm to the nation-

la a statement carried by Petra, the on security forces to "cooperate with their fellow citizens to achieve their nationalistic aspirations and under-stand the peaceful nature of the protests and avoid confronting them with

The statement also stressed the eitizens' right to self-expression 'within the limits of national security and protecting public and private holdings and property."

The associations reminded the

citizens that all protests were aimed at "supporting the Palestinian peo-ples' struggle and their courageous intifada against the Zionist enemy and its criminal attempts to suppress the Palestinian national identity."

They also warned against falling for attempts "to foil the democratic changes in the country and lead it to

told the Jordan Times over the phone that there were scattered marches that ended peacefully throughout the

since another 50 metres ahead a full blast of tear-gas awaited to hit the nostrils. "Here, take a piece of onion," offered a man of about 25. "Keep on smelling it, you will be relieved." Indeed that was almost cancelled by the organisers "in order to protect the security of the city."

heen notified of the birth of the new state and that the two counjoint session of the 17-member tries would remain committed to supreme presidium of the former all treaties that either of them South Yemen and the 25-member advisory council of the former The rally was held at the Pales-

tine Conference Hall in the old quarter of Aden and attended by some 2,000 people who interrupted Saleh's address several times with loud elapping. "The Republic of Yemen will be a factor for stability and secur-

Beqaa camp

ity in the Arabian peninsula and the Gulf region and a strong bastion for the Arab states, the Arah League and joint Arab action," he declared.

"The Republic of Yemen will extend its hand to all states for fruitful cooperation in fulfilling our national duties, led by those toward the Palestinian people," be added.

have concluded.

Saleh said the new Yemen would work for development and progress, pledged to "an opening up, economically, culturally and socially... in line with the spirit of

Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) Chairman Yasser Arafat was the only Arab leader to show up in Aden to participate in the unity ceremony. He delivered a brief congratulatory message. Other Arah leaders sent

congratulatory cables. Saleh was elected president of the five-man presidential council.

order? And wasn't true that if the

marchers were allowed to proceed

to Amman, the obvious attack

would have been on the American

"Of course yes," came the quick

retort. "But, America should be crushed since it is the hand that

feeds the Israelis to occupy our land

and kill our people," the man said. We thanked him and approached

another group round the corner.
"I heard there was a death too."

whispered a bearded young man,

who said he was a mechanic work-

ing outside the camp but had

"rushed home after hearing what

"Things appeared normal this morning when I left for work," he said. "It seems that trouble started

around 9 a.m. when a group of

youngsters staged a march, leading to a clash with the police,"

another young boy. "We all ran inside the houses. They scouted the

streets and went back, but not

before lobbing a few cannisters of

"One of their (armoured person-

nel) carriers hit an electric pole and the pole fell on a house," the boy added, "Ope was wounded." Other

accounts said one man who was

standing oatside the collapsed

house jumped outo the APC and attacked its driver and was shot by

another policeman. No indepen-

dent confirmation of the account was immediately available.

was immediately available.

"The agency people have their hands full," said a man sitting on his door-step with what appeared to be his entire family around him. The "agency" meant the United Nations Relief and Works Agency

(UNRWA) for Palestine refugees

which runs a clinic in the heart of

"Go down this road and turn a

the camp of about 70,000 residents.

couple of corners and you will find

it. It is so crowded, mostly with

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Agency

In Town

this street, this morning,

"Policemen were here, right in

was happening."

which will rule the new state, by a South have in contrast promoted a secular culture since they won independence from Britain 23 years ago. North Yemen. world, who for years represented

The 48-year-old army officer. president of North Yemen since 1978, was promoted from colonel to general the previous night by the 159-member Shura council, the parliament of the north.

Ali Salem Al Beidh, the secretary-general of Aden's ruling Yemen Socialist Party, was elected vice-president.

The three others elected to the five-member council that will rule the new state from its capital Sanaa were Salem Saleh Mohammad, Beidh's deputy, Abdul-Aziz Al Arashi, the speaker of the Shura council of North Yemeo, and Abdul-Aziz Abdul Ghani, the prime minister of North Ye-

The speed of the merger between the two states with widely different political and economic systems has even outpaced the rush by the two Germanies towards unification. The merger was only approved last Novem-

North Yesseo, by far more populous of the two old states with a population of some 10 million, is a society largely dominated by tribe and religion. The socialist rulers of the larger

God-send since the effect of the gas

was overpowering, forcing one to

almost go down on the knees.

Wihdat

Yemeni embassies around the

governments that were bitterly at

odds and fought a brief war in

1972, Tuesday raised the same

Aden, capital and main port of

the once-British ruled South, will

be the economic capital of the

new state. Sanaa in the North will

Only a group of Muslim fun-

damentalists in the North, object-

ing that the new state's constitu-

tion is oot based entirely on

Islamic law, have voiced opposi-

Three fundameotalist deputies

walked out and five abstained

when the Northern parliament

overwhelmingly voted to ratify

the merger Monday. Outside par-

liameot 1,000 fundamentalists

hailed the merger as a harbinger

of closer ties among all Arah

Arah commentators have

flag simultaneously.

be the political capital.

tion to the merger.

staged a protest.

American and anti-Israeli slogans Violent clashes with riot police started at about 2 p.m., when the latter used tear-gas and fired warning shots to disperse the angry crowds. But while the residents insisted that police started the provocation, security sources said that they had had to resort to force to stop the outraged crowds from pouring out from the camp oato Amman. "It was getting out of control," said an eyewitness.

In the evening traces of the morning violence were evident as the camp's streets were scorched by burning tyres.

By 4 p.m., however, heavy security reinforcements were seen around and at the main entrance of the camp as the Islamic movement and other groups were preparing for a big rally to move from Al Wildet square and pass in front of the mosques and the Al Wihdat Sports Club.

By 4:30 p.m. when this reporter entered the camp, young children were erecting barricades made of stones, bricks and traffic sign poles which were evidently removed during the violence. As the crowds started to gather in front of the mosque and the schools of United Nations Relief and Works Agency Palestinian Refugees (UN-RWA), police patrols entered the camp and started lobbing tear-gas cannisters. The chaos lasted for a few minutes but was enough to disperse the crowds which gathered

arin at 5 p.m.
to was not immediately clear why the riot police intervened, but political activists suspected that the police was alarmed by a possible huge gathering of demonstrators from various areas which could get of control.

The evening's peaceful demoastration was still very militant in its slogans reflecting a growing frustra-tion with the continuing Israeli rep-ression of the iatifada.

"No to negotiations; no to reconciliation," "Yes to the Palestinian Charter," "Open the Arab borders for (military) operations against israel," read the banners amid chants supporting the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) and Jordanian-Palestinian unity.

Initially there appeared to be two democrations of the palestine democratical by

demonstrations, one organised by the Islamists, which started at the mosque, and the other by nationalists and leftist groups. Participants in the second demonstration stopped for a few minutes to burn the Israeli, American and British flags amid pro-PLO chants and shouts of Allahu Akbar.

The demonstration thea pro-ceeded to the Al Mizdar area while the police blocked the zone. No further violence was reported but two blue public security scouts and a group of helmeted riot police were seen at one of the entrances to

the camp by sunset.
In interviews with the Jordan Times, demonstrators expressed extreme anger "at the Arab inability to stand up to Israel." What are the Arab leaders wait-

ing for?" asked an angry young man. "Are they waiting for Israel to eliminate the Palestiaians and occupy Jordan or what? We need action now," he demanded. Other young men who gathered around nodded in agreement.

Earlier, in the nearby area of Jabal Al Nasser and Wadi Al Nasser refugee camps and the Manar Quarter similar demoastrations took place. The biggest was in an area between the refugee camp and Jabai Nasser, according to eyewitnesses. Protest marches started at around 8:30 a.m. and continued

until they were dispersed at around 1:30 p.m. Red and black helmeted policemen, armed with clubs, were seen in big numbers in front of Jabai Al Nasser Club. This reporter witnessed an exchange of stone-throwing between dispersing demonstrators and not police who were using tear-gas. Eyewitnesses said that

earlier the demonstrators had used garbage containers as road blocks and they even had burned some of In Al Manar area, demonstrators erected stone road blocks which

were later removed by police.

emergency programme it is organising in Libya would cost an estimated \$42 million a year for two years.

wounds as small as tick hites or usually dies.

The fly can lay a batch of up days, and a complete life cycle.

Authorities warn against instability country can remain a fortress in the cerned and troubled to see that Jor-

face of challenges and dangers.
"Citizens vigilance and awareness will help Jordan to overcome the present conspiracy being hatched by our enemy and assisted by those forces that have ambitious designs in the Arab Nation and foil our enemy's attempts and plots."

Lower House of Parliament members expressed their distress over the violent incidents, Deputy Abdullah Ensour said that

the normal reaction for the Israeli massacre "is to express denunciation and rejection of crimes committed against the unarmed Palestinians, and that overreacting does not allow the destruction of public funds."

Ensour called for self-restraint and for "pational unity to defend Jordan, the King, land, people and institutions to fail Israeli expansionist

Deputy Fares Al Nabulsi said the "violations by protesters does not serve the Palestinian uprising" and called citizens "to be careful and keep calm to maintain Jordan's security

"Any harassment of the security forces, which have been employed to and the democratic process."

Deputy Yousef Al Athem said that
Jordanium and Palestinians "are one people" and said he was survised to find the "enemy's fingers trying to tear it apart". He warned the people of the "danger of committing such deeds so that not to undermine the becoming of a refined and civilised position of the Palestinians in Palesse and contribute to ending the

Israeli guns fail

(Continued from page 1)

Avi Popper, 21, who was arrested in the shootings, is now undergoing psychiatric evaluation. The army said he was dishonourably discharged from the army after 17 months of the 36-month mandatory service. He

Britain called for restraint and an

early dialogue between Israel and the Palestinians to end the npsurge in

people. "The deputies call on Jordanian citizens to protect the homeland from those elements tampering with its security and call on security mea to exercise utmot restraint so that our

served four months in military lock-ups for disciplinary violations and being absent without leave.

"We are most concerned by the weekend's events in Israel and the occupied territories," Foreign Secretary Douglas Hurd said in a statement.
"Maximum restraint is needed on all

In Zarka, Mayor Yasser Omari

people hit by tear-gas."
It did not need any substantiation day and no injuries were reported. He said that the participants were mostly children and teenagers.

Omari added that a demunstration planned by the Islamic movement was

"Don't go any further," advised a bystander. "The gas is much Well, having gone that far into

the heart of the camp it seemed a pity to turn back. So, the plodding continued, but with more careful steps and the onion peel held close to the nostrils, "Take it easy from here," came

another advice. "The crowd up front is dangerous," Well, it needed no reminder since the gunshots were getting closer, seemingly from left and right and front. Youths could be seen heaving and hurling stones at an unseen target.

The idea was to visit the camp and talk to people; and that was accomplished. Do we go further? "You'd better not," a man advised us. "Your friend looks American and that means trouble

for him. You had better leave." Did we need a better reason to leave? We decided not, and made our way back through the labrynth of parrow streets and across fields back to our car near the road which runs behind the camp parallel to the main highway. It was a detour to which policemen were directing all traffic after sealing off both ends of

the highway in froat of the camp. As we were driving back towards Amman, policemen were missing from the detour, and we slipped into the main highway towards the main entrance of the camp. The roads were strewn with blackened tyres, at least two bus-stops were smashed and stones littered the road. Up ahead was a column of about 12 police vehicles. We stop-

ped about 50 metres from the police line, and watched. Stones were falling near the policemen, apparently belonging to one of the mechanised divisions of the Public Security Department. Once in a while, a tear-gas cannister was lobbed across the street into the camp. Some of the younger of the policemen were picking up the stones to huri them back across the

street. The scene was reenacted on and on and we decided it was time for us

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Soviet council approves radical economy reforms

MOSCOW (AP) - President Mikhail S. Gorbacbev's advisers decided Tuesday to introduce radical reforms next year to salvage an economy plagued hy massive shortages, strikes and ethnic conflicts.

Food prices would double, but the government would continue to regulate the cost of staple items, a craft of the planned reforms says.

The reforms would not start until next year and would stagger the cumulative shock over five years instead of the two years discussed earlier.

Foreign Ministry Spokesman Gennady 1. Gerasimov told reporters that the presidential council approved the draft report Tuesday and Premier Nikolai 1. Ryzhkov would present it to the Supreme Soviet Parliament Thursday.

Gerasimov did not say whether the council had made any changes in the 70-page plan, obtained by the AP.

The plan falls short of the free market measures in Poland that led to a spurt of rapid inflation over the past six months.

Along with price hikes, the reforms include a new taxation system, rules on private property, anti-trust laws, higher interest rates and a more developed financial system, including commercial banks independent of the government.

Opposition

The plan came under immediate fire from a parliamentary opposition group, which said it would present an alternative proposal for faster and deeper change.

The Soviet economy is widely acknowledged to be in a shambles, and Gorbachev's popularity has steadily declined as his economic reforms have failed to im-

prove people's daily lives.

Monday it would undertake a

more searching look at Iraqi cre-

dit ourcbases of U.S. farm pro-

ducts, including payments above

the market price that may have

review so far "uncovered no evi-

dence to suggest that there has

been diversion of commodities

sold to Iraq" for illegal purposes. Undersecretary Richard Crow-

der, in releasing a report of the review, said the U.S. government

"has not incurred any losses" as a

result of Iraq's use of the prog-

The department's review in-

volved credit guarantees for up to

inree years. The department,

through its Commodity Credit

Corporation, does not lend the

U.S. economy will skirt a recession through 1991 and set a post-

war record for the longest period

of business growth, the nation's top

business economists predicted

The National Association of

Business Economists said 82 per

cent of the 68 professional fore-

casters surveyed in April and

May predicted the business ex-

pansion would continue slowly

If so, the current expansion

would top the record of 106

months of economic growth from

February 1961 to December

1969. The present expansion be-

gan 90 months ago, in November

The forecast was considerably

more optimistic than a similar

survey last May, when 63 per cent

of the economists predicted a

recession this year. Ninety-six per

cent of those polled for the cur-

rent survey said the economy

through next year.

provided cash rebates.

ramme.

Agriculture Department said mercial banks who do.

need to control inflation, unemployment and other social ills, but also outlines major price increases and other reforms beginning in 1991.

"The retail prices on food should on the average, double, increasing by 112 billion ruhles (\$180 billion)," says the report. However, the prices of basic foodstuffs — including bread, meat and oil — will remain under government regulation and not be allowed to spiral ont of con-

Compensation for poor

trol, the plan says.

It also provides for a complex system of compensation and wage-indexing to make sure the country's poor will survive.

Poland's ahrupt conversion to a free-market system has tamed that country's raging inflation, but at the cost of hundreds of thousands of workers losing their

The Soviet plan is far more radical than the government programme presented in December to the congress of people's depunes, the Supreme Soviet's parent parliament. That programme essentially proposed three more years of a centrally planned есополу.

Frightening figures on current economic performance may underlie the government's new readiness to take far-reaching

measures. In the first quarter of this year, cash incomes swelled by 13.4 per cent while the gross national product (GNP) actually declined, the report says. From January to April, political strikes and ethnic conflicts caused factories and other enterprises to lose 9.5 million man-hours of labour, compared to seven million man-hours lost during all of last year.

In addition, Soviets have an exceptionally high rate of savings, raising fears that money chasing The report emphasises the goods would bring runaway infla-

WASHINGTON (AP) - The money but stands behind com- . One question involves the ex-

Irad has used the guarantees to

of U.S. commodities since 1983.

Agriculture Secretary Clayton

Yentter, said about \$30 million is

left in the first \$500 million worth of guarantees for iraq this fiscal

year. A decision on the second

\$500 million will be held up while

the additional review is made.

Among the potential irregular-

ities checked by the department

was a "stamp tax" of an unspeci-

fied amount that Iraq had re-

quested of some exporters. Iraq

has agreed to exempt the credit

The report said the administra-

tive review, which included a visit

to Baghdad last month, suggested

The forecasters said the eco-

nomy, as measured by the gross

national product (GNP), would

grow 2.0 per cent this year and 2.4

per cent in 1991. The GNP, the

total output of goods and services, advanced 3.0 per cent in

And they said inflation, which

was 8.1 per cent in the first

quarter, reflecting in part weath-

er-related jumps in food and

energy prices, will drop to an annual rate of 3.7 per cent in the

final nine months of the year.

That would make the 1990 infla-

tion rate 4.7 per cent, down from

gressional budget negotiators, who resume talks Tuesday on

reducing the deficit, can take no

comfort from the survey. The

economists forecast a hudget

shortfall of \$154 hillion in the

fiscal year ending Sept. 30 and

But administration and con-

4.8 per cent in 1989.

additional inquiry into two key to provide.

shipments in the future.

Economists say no recession in 1991

WASHINGTON (AP) — The would continue growing through 135 billion in fiscal 1991,

Kelly Shipp, spokeswoman for

buy more than \$4.5 billion worth a corn, rice and sugar, during 1985

tion when a free market is estab-

"The negative effects of political instability, strikes and interethnic conflicts is growing ever stronger," Ryzhkov's report says, singling out violent unrest in the Caucasus as the most harmful to

Ryzhkov proposes an appeal to all the country's workers not to

But according to a government proposal that is also to be addressed at Tuesday's presidential council meeting, meat in 1991 will cost 2.1 times as much as it does now; bread will triple in price and milk will double, the Interfax: news agency reported Monday. Interfax is a quasi-official information service affiliated with state-run Moscow Radio.

Current prices in state stores for many basic foods are extremely low, with potatoes costing as little as 10 kopecks a kilogramme (about \$0.7 a pound) and beef 2 ruhles a kilogramme (\$1.8 a pound). But the Soviet economy plagued with shortages, and free prices at farmer's markets have rocketed to 20 rubles a kilogramme for beef (about \$14.5 a pound) and up to 10 rubles a kilogramme (about \$8 a pound) for tender new potatoes.

The artificially low food prices have contributed to the country's staggering budget deficit.

The inter-regional group, the progressive opposition in the Soviet congress, is planning to call for a vote of no-confidence in Ryzhkov and his government im-mediately after he delivers his report, deputies say. Ryzhkov already survived one such noconfidence vote in the congerss

The inter-regional group's alternative economic programme calls for a totally free market, dismantlement of all government economie ministries and major cuts in investment in heavy indus-

tent and reasons for high prices in

certain transactions, including

to 1987. Prices paid by Iraq

appeared to be at least 10 per

metric ton higher than typical

world prices for rice and corn,

"It appears that these price

levels may have resulted in part

from supplier perceptions that

Iraq was a very high-risk market

dne to wartime conditions (with

Other possible reasons may

have been "the limited number of

U.S. suppliers" who were willing

to deal in this high-risk market,

when Iraq was at war with Iran,

and Iraq's policy of seeking

freight financing, which only a

few suppliers were able or willing

Interest rates, which are

blamed for the current economic

sluggishness, are projected to re-

main near their current levels this

year before declining slightly in.

Rates for 90-day U.S. treasury

bills will edge down from 7.9 per cent in June 1990 to 7.8 per cent

at year's end and 7.7 per cent by

the end of 1991, they predicted.

Rates for 30-year treasury bonds

will fall from 8.7 per cent next

month to 8.6 per cent in Decem-

ber and 8.4 per cent at the end of

The survey attributed the pro-

jections for slower economic

growth to a 2.3 per cent increase

in consumption spending in 1990,

down from 2.7 per cent in 1989,

and a 2.7 per cent advance in husi-

ness spending on plants and

equipment, down from 3.3 per

1991, the forecasters said.

iran)," the report said.

Gredit programme for Iraq to get review

Craxi said he favoured a case-by-case hardline settlement. "Many of the debtor countries should put their own houses in order, otherwise they will destroy resources," he cautioned.

He offered no easy escape avenues for nations trying to debts. "They have to take hard

against debt forgiveness except for the poorest nations. "The very poor countries have a debt that is only one-tenth of the total debt of developing

forgiveness was conversion of debt into local currencies for development and education in debtor countries, be said.

follow the same techniques adopted by commercial banks discounting, longer repayment terms and reduced in-

He put the international debt at \$1,300 billion, with Brazil as the leading debtor with amounts owed to the tune of \$100 hillion. Other major debtors are Mexico, Argentina, Egypt, Poland, Venezuela and Nigeria.

Craxi said it was not enough to reduce ontstanding debts but to provide new credits for debtor nations. He however added that to get the credits, the debtor nations must prove they will ntilise the funds in a profitable manner.

He praised the austerity me-

TOKYO (R) — Japan is dragging its heels in deregulating its financial markets, a senior U.S. official said Tuesday. "Japan ranks as the least flexible, least transparent and most financially overregulated country among (major industrialised nations)," U.S. Treasury Undersecretary David Mulford said. following two days of talks with Japanese Finance Ministry offi-

Bettino Craxi

Craxi excludes

new avenues

for world

lindebtedness

JEDDAH, Saudi Arabia (AP) - Bettino Craxi, former Itaban prime minister who is tackling the international debt crisis, extudes new avenues and advocates existing outlines for debtor nations and creditor banks, Saudi Arabian newspapers reported Tuesday.

"We must proceed on avenues that are already settled, not new ones. We have to improve what is already there," said Craxi who is writing a report to the U.N. Secretary-General Javier Perez de Cuellar on the international debt crisis, according to statements in the English-language daily Arah News.

Craxi left Saudi Arabia late Monday after eliciting Saudi opinion regarding the question of debts. He was received by King Fahd and also had talks with the Minister of Finance and National economy Mohammad Abal Khail,

decisions," he said.

Craxi made it clear that he is countries," he said.

More interesting than debt

Craxi advised creditors to

asures introduced by the new Brazilian President Collor de Mello but said austerity programmes constitute difficult social and political problems for developing countries. "Austerity measures are difficult but unavoidable," he warned.

Japan stalling on deregulation —U.S.

At the talks, the Japanese side, headed by Vice-Miniser of Finance Makoto Utsumi, made some fresh commitments, but in the main the U.S. side went away disappointed.

The U.S. is distressed that Japanese banks have expanded rapidly overseas while foreign banks have made only very limited inroads in Japan, Mulford told a joint U.S.-Japan news con-

The treasury is under pressure from Congress to seek pledges that Japan will give U.S. financial institutions competitive opportumities equal to domestic firms. The Senate is working on a bill that would allow the U.S. to retaliate if such opportunities do not exist.

"As of today, it will not be possible for the U.S. treasury to give a positive report on the Japanese market," Mulford said. But Japan says opportunities are already equal.

"We have never done anything to foreign institutions that would undermine their national treatment. In this regard, we have no guilty feelings," Utsumi told the news conference,

After seven years of gradual deregulation of Japanese interest

rates, Mulford came seeking a specific commitment that Japan would fully complete the process within one year. He said there are compelling domestic as well as international reasons to complete this quickly.

"Japanese consumers will sprely not want to continue to help bankroll Japanese banks even as these hanks are charging Japanese consumers rising rates for loans," Mulford said.

Japan agreed on the need for full deregulation, but could not yet commit to a timetable, Utsumi said, because of worries about potential problems that could befall smaller banks and other financial institutions if deregulation proceeds too rapidly.

The multi-billion dollar failure of the U.S. savings and loan industry is ample proof of the need for caution, Japanese offi-

But pressure, and U.S. congressional anger, is building as Japanese banks expand rapidly

"Japan needs to be sensitive to the political problem this is causing in the U.S.," Mulford said. Rapid action to complete the deregulation process in Japan would avoid what otherwise will become an area of serious political conflict."

At the current round of talks, the latest in a series begun in 1983. Japan said it would allow financial institutions to install and use Globex terminals by around the end of June, Utsumi said.

Globex is a 24-hour futures trading system being developed by the Chicago Mercantile Exchange together with Reuters Holdings PLC.

AMMAN EXCHANGE RATES

Tuessay, May 22, 1990 Central Bank official rates

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LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

LONDON (R) — Following are the buying and selling rates for leading world currencies and gold against the dollar at midsession on the London foreign exchange and bullion markets Tuesday.

One Sterling	1.6900/10	U.S. dollar
One U.S. dollar	1.1760/70	Canadian dollar
	1.6670/75	Deutschemarks [*]
	1.8760/70	Dutch guilders
	1.4225/30	Swiss francs
	34.33/38	Belgian francs
	5.6125/75	French francs
	1226/1227	Italian lire
	152.10/20	Japanese yen
	6.0685/0735	Swedish crowns
	6.4425/75	Norwegian crowns
	6.3445/95	Danish crowns
One ounce of gold	372.40/80	U.S. dollars

WORLD STOCK MARKETS

By Reuters .

TOKYO - A stronger yen belped the market regain ground lost in the morning. Steel issues led other domestic demand related issues higher. The Nikkei ended 173.25 up at 31,938.30.

SYDNEY - Bargain hunters pushed selected stocks back up after Monday's freefall. The All Ordinaries Index finished 7.4 higher at

HONG KONG — Stocks rose on a combination of local and institutional buying by investors based on events concerning China. The Hang Seng Index closed 40.04 up at 2,970.87.

SINGAPORE - Sbare prices closed firmer across the board on sustained buying support although there was some profit-taking. The Straits Times Index rose 7.60 to 1,578.59, BOMBAY - Profit-taking after Monday's rise knocked 2.34

points off the Bombay Stock Exchange Index which closed at

FRANKFURT --- Shares fell sharply on rumours, then recovered. The Dax index closed at 1,813.26, a gain of 2.08 points. ZURICH -- Prices recovered after a rebound on the Frankfurt bourse. The Spi Index gained seven points to 1,134.1.

PARIS — French sbares gained momentum from London. The CAC-40 index rose 22.79 points to 2,115.

LONDON — The FTSE index gained 29.2 points to 2311.3. NEW YORK — Wall Street lost momentum on profit-taking after a strong start based on higher bond prices and overseas markets.

At 1637 GMT the Dow Jones Industrials were up 2.33 points to



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FORECAST FOR WEDNESDAY MAY 23, 1990 By Thomas S. Pierson, Astrologer, Carroll Righter Foundation

GENERAL TENDENCIES: A really good day for whatever has to do with stating your points directly in a highly articulate fashion as long as you have philosophical and not merely pragmatic motives.

ARIES: (March 21 to April 19) Get conditions handled early where anything of a new nature is concerned for later you find that situation of difficult nature arises to test

TAURUS: (April 20 to May 20) Going over accounts and liabilities early gives you accurate picture where you stand and are headed but at night avoid taking new

GEMINI: (May 21 to June 21) Have an important talk with any associate during the morning hours as later an adverse note enters relationships that make them unproductive MOON CHILDREN: (June 22 to July 21) A day to carry through

with whatever work load or duties you have early as later nothing seems to work out as you wish or have good results. LEO: (July 22 to August 21)

Arrangements for a good time should be made as early in the morning as possible and then carried through without changes later when adversities arise,

VIRGO: (August 22 to September 22) Get busy at home interests in the morning and get them done as swiftly as you can for later some other obligations arise taking your time and attention.

LIBRA: (September 23 to October 22) Get busy with your communications and errands in the morning, for later you find being on the highway or taking chances

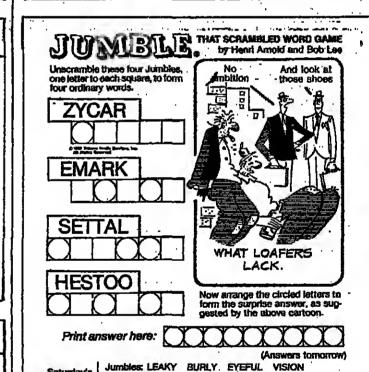
SCORPIO: (October 23 to November 21) Money matters are your chief concern today and spend the morning doing what you can to improve them but then drop practical matters the rest of the night. SAGITTARIUS: (November 22 to December 21) You have a morning to go after what you want with courage and confidence but later in the day turn your focus in less personal duties.

CAPRICORN: (December 22 to January 20) Behind the scene activities of all types mark your best way to handle today so in the morning plan a campaign for so doing and carry through at night. AQUARIUS: (January 21 to February 19) Your enjoyment at seeing friends is touched off in the morning so contact and be with them but later in the day attend to your own

PISCES: (February 20 to March 20) Think about what you want in the way of more worldly recognition in the morning and then secretly plan in the evening ways that you can obtain this.



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Spain, Italy plan to share airline routes told a news conference the accord MADRID (R) — Spanish and European Community (EC) from does not affect competition and Italian state airlines Iberia and Alitalia said Monday they plan to 1992. leaves each airline free to negoti-Under the deal the Spanish and

work together to exploit each other's strengths in Latin America and Asia. Chief executives of both air-

lines signed a cooperation agreement under which they would use Rome and Madrid as strategic transit hubs through which they can share routes over which they have a competitive edge.

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tion of a single market within the

The pact between Iberia and Alitalia is the latest in a series of cooperation arrangements between European carriers aimed at

Madrid-Rome-Bangkok route.

Italian carriers will pool Iberia's routes between Madrid and Mexico City and Alitalia's between Rome and Bangkok, through block seating arrangements in their respective aircraft. They gain a jumping off point for Iberia routes in Latin America and Alitalia's Asian network.

Officials from both companies said the agreement seeks to exploit a 700,000 passenger market and attract 140,000 new customers to the Rome-Madrid-Mexico ronte, and 40-50,000 extra on the

Iberia chairman Narcis Andreu

ate similar agreements elsewhere. There is no exchange of shares

involved in the agreement. Alitalia Managing Director Giovanni Bisignani said his airline is in a good position to strengthen its presence abroad. "We have resolved our problems at home and can now emhark on an international

strategy, in which today's agreement is an important first step," he said. Andreu, who has frequently warned of dangers of competition from the big United States air-

lines in Europe's open markets,

said Iberia will seek accords with other European carriers.

It already cooperates with Air France and Lufthansa through the Amadeus computer travel booking system and plans to expand the Alitalia accord in technical and operative aspects. Iberia has 152 aircraft flying to

79 destinations while Alitalia bas 126 flying 102 rontes. Alitalia last year flew 16.2 million passengers against Iberia's 14.9 million. Both companies are emerging from difficult years. Iberia's 1989 pre-tax profit dived 78 per cent to 5.27 billion pesetas (\$47.9 mil-

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SPORTS IN BRIEF

Romania bests Egypt 1-0 in soccer

BUCHAREST (R) - A 19th-minute header by Rodion Camature gave Routania a 1-0 win over Egypt in an international soccer admitty between the two World Cup finalists Monday. Gheroghe Addingly between the two World Cup finalists Monday. Gheroghe Hagi passed from 40 metres to the unmarked Camataru who casily headed in the winner from six metres. Hagi, Romania's stock sought after player by foreign clubs, was replaced in the account half by neucomer Daniel Timofte. Romania were without key players Dan Petrescu, still recovering from a knoe operation. Statist loven who was injused and Miodrag Belodedici, who was not released from his Yugoslav club Red Star Beigrade. Egypt beat World Cup finalists Scotland 3-1 Wednesday.

Poland trounces UAE 4-0

MARSEILLE, France (R) — World Cup finalists the United Arab Emirates (UAE) received a warning that they could be in for a hard time in Italy next month when they were thrashed 4-0 by Poland in a succer friendly Monday. Poland, who did not qualify for the finals, scored twice in two minutes just after the half hour through stoker Dariosz Dziekanowski of Scottish club Ceitic and Roman Kosecki. Krysztof Warzycha grabbed a third immediately following the break and Kosecki made it four in the 66th minute. The UAE, who suffered another 4-0 defeat last week by French second divisin Side Nimes, had no answer as Poland stormed through. The score would have been even worse had Poland been a little luckier with their shooting. They hit the bar no less than three times.

Juventus signs De Caniofor \$6.2m

ROME (R) — UEFA Cop champions have nigned Lazio winger Paolo Di Canio for 7.5 bilion lire (56.2 million) as part of a multi-million dollar bid to strengthen the squad next season. Rome-bissed Lazio said in a statement Monday that the two clubs and Di Camo reached agreement over the transfer Sunday. and Di Canio reached agreement over the transfer Sunday. Juventus, who also were the Italian Cup last month, paid Florentina a world record \$13 million last week for Italy middledger Roberto Baggio. The Turin-based chib owned by Flat car boss Gianni Agnelli has also signed West Germany's Thomas Hisessler for \$8.8 million, reached agreement for Brazilian defender Julio Cesar for a reported \$2.5 million and spent a further \$13 million on four other Italian players. They are still looking for a third foreigner for next season.

Maleeva easily eliminates opponent

GENEVA (AP) — Top-seeded Manuela Maleeva of Switzerland and second-seeded Barbara Paulus of Austria easily won their first round matches Monday in the \$150,000 Geneva European Open. Maleeva, the defending titlist, breezed to a 6-1, 6-3 victory over Laura Lapi of Italy. Paulus, the 1988 winner, eliminated Gabriela Castro of Argentine 6-3, 6-1.

Demoi to sign for Cologne

LISBON (R) - Belgian international defender Stephane Demol, who helped Porto to the Portuguese soccer title this season, is to sign a three-year contract with Cologne. "My wife was not adapted to the city (Oporto)," he told reporters after his last Portuguese league game Sunday. "As I put my family first, I have to accept Cologne's offer." Demoi, a member of Belgium's World Cup squad with 26 international appearances to his name, added he could sign later this week when Cologne's directors visit Portugal to finalise the deal. He did not disclose the size of the transfer fee. Demol. 24. who moved from Anderiecht to Italy's Bologna two years ago before joining Porto last year, scored 11 goals in his single season with the Portuguese side, all of them

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Luxemburg before visiting England again for three shows and finally Switzerland. The tour will end August 12. Photo below shows the Falcons team who consist of (from right to left) Capt. Majed Al Kayed, Hussein Nasser, Marwan Narmie, Nidal Samain, Maj. Mansour Jobor, Riyad Ayyoub,

losse ball, securing the victory.

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Tom Chambers scored 29

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Johnson was just 2-for-12 from

Meanwhile, Magic Juhnson has

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been voted the National Basketball Association's most valuable

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Johnsoo, who led the Lakers to

a regular-season record of 63-19.

best in the NBA, has won the

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He becomes only the sixth player in NBA history to win the

award three times, joining former

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to present the award Tuesday to

Johnson, who averaged 22.3

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Despite Johnson's 25.2-point

average in nine playoff games,

the Lakers were eliminated last

Tuesday night by the Phoenix Suns in their Western Conference

semifinal series. Voting was con-

ducted at the end of the regular

bounds per game this season.

Commissioner David Stern was



Trail Blazers edge Suns

PORTLAND, Oregon (AP) -Kevin Duckworth swished an maining Monday night, lifting the victory over the Phoenix Suns in time in six days after upsetting 15 in the second half, and 11 the opening game of the Western the Los Angeles Lakers in the rebounds.

Conference finals. Portland, making its first appearance in the conference finals since 1977 when the Trail ny Young blocked a shot by Mike

Baskethall Association (NBA) the Trail Blazers grabbed the championship, defeated the Suns eight-footer with 17.3 seconds re- for the 18th consecutive time at Memorial coliseum.

Phoenix had a chance to tie in

the final seconds, but guard Dan-

Graf, Seles top women seeds in French Open

PARIS (AP) — Two-time champion Steffi Graf and Monica Seles, who has beaten the world's top two women's players in consecutive weeks, will lead the seedings at oext week's \$5.35 million French Open tennis tournament, according to the WTA tour rankings.

Although late withdrawals may affect the final list which will become official Friday at the draw, the seedings match the women's International Tennis Association rankings among the

players entered. Graf, who won the tournament in 1987 and 1988, is ranked no. I and will be the top seed, but Martina Navratilova, ranked no. 2 in the world, is skipping the Paris event to prepare for Wimbledon, which begins June 25.

Seles, who beat Navratilova on May 13 in the Italian Open final and then beat Graf Sunday in the German Open championship to snap the West German's 66-match winning streak, will be the oo.

Soles has won her last 24 matches, including Sunday's 6-4, 6-3 victory over Graf.

Defending French Open champion Arantxa Sanchez Vicario of Spain is the no. 3 seed while Gabriela Sabatini of Argentina is no. 4. Sanchez Vicario beat Graf in last year's final at Roland Garros. Seeds five through eight are Zina Garrison of the United States, Manuela Maleeva of Switzerland, Mary Joe Fernandez of the United States and Katerina Maleeva of Bulgaria.

Spain's Conchita Martinez will be the ninth seed followed by 1988 runner-up Natalia Zvereva of the Soviet Union, Czechoslovakia's Jana Novotna and Austria's Jodith Wiesner. The last four seeds will be Rosalyn Fairbank of South Africa,

Raffaella Reggi of Italy, Nathalic Tauziat of France and Laura

The final seeding list will be official at the draw Friday.

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Milan looks for Gullit miracle

VIENNA (R) - The worst thing we will." about performing a miracle, as

Milan start as clear favourites

Rund Gullit is discovering, is that

to repeat their 1963 European everybody expects you do it

The dreadlocked Dutch forward is supposed to return to his role of waving the magic wand for reigning champions A.C. Milan in Wednesday's European Cup final with Benfica at the Prater

As tall orders go, this one looks taller than the Prater's celebrated big wheel.

Gullit came back from a sixweek break with a knee injury to net two goals as Milan crushed Steama Bucharest 4-0 in last year's final.

If that was improbable, this time it seems impossible. Gullit has been through an agonising II-month lay-off and three knee operations before finding his way back. Two brief appearances in the Italian league are all he has behind him.

But Milan made it clear they believe in miracles when they presented Guillit with a three-year extension of his contract Mon-

day.

If the player feels danned by it all, it does not show. "The main to believe in what 1 thing for me is to believe in what 1 am doing," be said. "I can't say I will be able to do what 1 did in last year's final, though if the chances come my way... But foot-ball is not about IFS. What's important is that Milan retain the European title and I'm confident

Milan start as clear favourites Cup final victory when they beat a Benfica team, including the great Eusebio, 2-1 at Wembley. Cesare Maldini, father of current Milan left-back Paolo Maldini. carned a winner's medal that day.

Qullit apart, the present team oozes style and inventiveness, from the back where sweeper Franco Baresi is in a class of his own, through the midfield where Frank Rijkaard is an irresistible driving force, to the front line where Marco Van Basten is quite simply Marco Van Basten. .

By contrast, Benfica are a tid/. competent outfit lacking in the attacking flair which makes Milan such a spectacular side, worthy of worldwide admiration

The Portuguese are sure to play a cootaining game with Brazilian World Cup defenders Aldair and Ricardo attempting to Both teams should be fresh for the first for the fi snuff out the Gullit-Van Basten

Their other key players are mid-fielder Valdo, the team's third Brazilian World Cup squad member, and their big blond Swedish

striker Mats Magnusson. Magnusson cannot match Van Basten for elegance or creativity but he does know all too well that the ball belongs in the back of the net --- as he has shown 33 times in mitments during the season. But

the Portuguee league this seasoo. Brazilian striker Adesvaldn

late fitness test. Lima, who scored against Marseille in the semifinal first leg, injured a leg in training at the weekend. "I'm fit enough, if the manager wants I could play in the second half," he

Benfica may be difficult to beat but to win themselves they must break a losing sequence. Since taking the trophy for the second time in 1962, they have lost four European Cup finals, from that carlier game with Milan in a defeat to Dutch champions PSV Eindhoven two years ago.

Manager Sven Eriksson told reporters be would have preferred to meet some other Italian cloh in the fioal. "Everyooe says Milan are favourites. I think this analysis is correct, because they have the best team in the world But Benfica want to be Eurppean

the final. The Italian season ended more than three weeks ago giving Milan ample time to get back into the right frame of mind after a disastrnus finale in which they surrendered both the league and cup.

"We have had the time and the opportunity in prepare for this final in the best way possible. We were very tired from all our comthose disappointments have made us concentrate with even more Lima made it into the Benfica determination on the European squad at the last minute after a Cup final," Baresi said.

'Just do it'

CLEVELAND (AP) - A wnman finished ber first marathon Sunday after mistakenly entering the 26-mile (41.6-kilnmetre) Reveo-Cleveland marathon instead of the 10kilometres (6.2 mile) event in which she had intended to com-

"I thought the marathon had already started," said Georgene Julmson, 42, of Akron, Ohin. "So just took off with the rest of the

Both races had the same starting lines. The Revco-Cleveland marathon started at 8:30 a.m. Sunday and the 10-kilometre race

15 minutes later. About 4 miles (6.4 kilometres) into the race, Johnson said she realised something was wrong because the turnaround point was nowhere in sight.

"So I sidled up to a male runner and said, "This is the 10K, isn't it," Johnson said. When told she was running in the marathon, she said, "I felt so dumb that I just stood there and started

cry." She asked a police officer to drive her back to the starting line to compete in the 10K but the officer didn't have a patrol car.

"I thought about stopping - I mean, the running a marathon. But right in front of me there was a man running and nn the back of his shirt it had a saying, 'just do it.' So 1 did."

Johnson finished in 4 hours, 4 minutes, good enough for 83rd place in the women's division. "I feel great," she said.



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Yugoslavia announces World Cup team

BELGRADE, Yngoslavia (AP) — National Coach lvica Osim Monday announced a 22-man Yogoslav selection for the World Cup soccer finals in Italy, which blends veterans playing no foreign teams with young local talents.

The list includes nine Yugosans maring for went ender an

clubs, three rookies and such internationally known midfielders as Dragan Stojkovic and Safet Susie. The selection, which will play in group D along with Where

Germany, Colombia and the Da of the Linuality, in the same that has played in the qualifications for the char. "We have found a combination of experience and youth."

Osim told a news conference. "Even our young players have already played several international matches in their careers." Osim said that the team's main target is tn qualify for the second round of the tournament. "Yugoslavia has already accomplished a lot by reaching the

finals. It would be an exceptional success if we reach the second round in Italy," Osim said. The Yugoslav team is known in Europe as "the world champion in friendly matches" — deadly in exhibitions but disappointing in

major tournaments. The team's strong points are its midfield skills and individual technical abilities. Its weaknesses are a reputation for poor

teamwork, lack of speed and poor defeoce. Nine of the athletes chosen by guese, French, Spanish and Swiss teams. Five, including Stojkovie, are members of the current Yugoslav champion Red Star Belgrade.

The oldest in the squad is Safet Susic, 32, who plays for France's Paris St. Germaine. The 19-year-old rookie Alan Boksie, a forward of Hajduk split, is the youngest.

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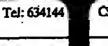
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Cheney backs plans for multinational units

NATO, U.S. cool to Soviet demand on German forces limits

BRUSSELS (R) — The United States and NATO Tresday poured cold water on Soviet demands that limits be set on the size of a united Germany's armed forces before a treaty is signed on conventional force reductions in Europe (CFE).

reacted coelly to the Soviet demand, put to U.S. Secretary of State James Baker in Moscow last week, that such limits be discussed in the so-called "two plus four" talks on security aspects of German unification.

Senior U.S. officials who travelied with Baker told NATO ambassadors in Brussels about the demand Monday.
Foreign ministers of the two

Germanys and the four World War II allied powers — the United States, Britain, France and the Soviet Union — are due to meet next month in East Berlin.

"The Soviets consider that the size of the German Armed Forces is an important part of the security equation in Europe and they want limits set before this round of CFE is completed," said one NATO diplomat.

Cheney told reporters ahead of a NATO defence ministers meeting in Brussels that the question

SAN SALVADOR (R) — Re-

bels have wrung an apparent

compromise from the U.S.-hack-

ed Salvadorean government in

peace talks in Caracas but diplo-

or later.

have hit the hardest issues

After five days of secret talks,

PEKING (R) — China Tuesday

bluntly rejected proposals by

Taiwan's newly-inangurated

President Lee Teng-Hui to open

full relations with Peking, accus-

ing him of setting impossible con-

In its first response to Lee's

radical inauguration speech Sun-

day, China reiterated its position

that Peking was "the sole, legiti-

mate government representing all

Agency said Lee had set "im-

on China to change its political

and economic systems, commit

itself to not using force to recover

Taiwan and to allow Taipei to

The agency accused Lee of pur-

suing a policy of "one country,

two governments" and of trying

In a separate development,

China's senior leader Deng

expand its foreign ties.

to create "two Chinas."

The official New China News

preconditions" by calling

Chinese people."

U.S. Defence Secretary Dick framework of the Vienna CFE Theney and NATO officials talks - but not in the current round, which foresees cuts only in U.S. and Soviet troop levels. "We've never supported the

proposition that German troop levels should be singled out any more than those of any other member of the NATO alliance."

NATO has already said that a united Germany will be a military member of the alliance - a view opposed by Moscow - and has ruled out discussing troop levels in the "two plus four" talks. The current Vienna talks will

produce troop cuts only in Soviet and IIS forces in Europe. But the alliance is prepared to discuss troop levels of other European nations in any follow-on talks to CFE. A treaty is expected this

"The Soviets have said they are not happy with this idea and that is why they are dragging their feet in Vienna at the moment," said one official. "They want limits on must he discussed within the German forces discussed now.

National Liberation Front

(FMLN) and the government

pledged to seek a ceasefire in

their decade-old civil war by mid-

September. About 75,000 people

But the ceasefire would have to

Xiaoping repeated China's posi-

tion that Taiwan could keep its

own army under Peking's long-

standing "one country, two sys-

Deng, 85, made the comments

to former West German Chancel-

lor Helmut Schmidt Monday,

according to sources who had

Lee's ground-breaking propos-

als would mean an end to

Taiwan's 40-year-old policy to-

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China has repeatedly refused

Lee, who came to power in

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and rejects new Taiwan overtures

Salvadorean talks set ceasefire goal

The United States gave strong support Tuesday to plans for sta-tioning multinational military units throughout NATO as the alliance reshapes reduced conventional forces at the and of the

Chency said the units could replace current large contingents from single countries to give "a political dimension to our military arrangements."

'It makes sense for the alliance," Chency told reporters. NATO officials said the ministers would order an urgent study of the feasibility of settting up

In response to a greatly diminished Warsaw Pact threat, the ministers are expected to abandon their old target of three per cent annual real increases in national defence spending.
With Western arms budgets

shrinking, the 16-nation alliance being forced to make major strategy changes. NATO's European members have backed multinational units as a way of pooling resources and displaying

The United States currently has some 300,000 troops in Western Europe and has often com-

on topics such as the role of the

armed forces, human rights and

reforms to the electoral and jus-

tice systems, a document signed

by the two delegations and United Nations mediator Alvaro de

term by the Nationalist-domin-

ated electoral college in March,

repeated Sunday a proposal he first made last week to hold gov-

ernment-to-government talks

Peking replied it would only

hold talks on a party-to-party

In its response to Lee's speech,

China noted without comment his

pledge to end within two years

emergency provisions on "sup-

lion" which have shored up his

Nationalist Party's grip on power.

investment in China, Taiwanese

businessmen are pouring funds

into the mainland. In recent years

hundreds of thousands of

Taiwanese have returned to visit

relatives not seen for decades but

only a few mainlanders have been

allowed to go to Taiwan.

Despite Taipei's ban on direct

with China.

wards China known as the "three the government's 42-year-old

envoys of the Farabundo Marti be preceded by political accords

share of the defence burden during four decades of East-West

A senior U.S. defence official said the idea of multinational units "could get major support in Germany and might help alleviate Soviet fears about a united Germany's military strength."

Chency said no formal plans

had been put forward but said as an example that a NATO military corps - currently about 60,000 troops from one country - might in future include German, U.S. and British divisions.

Under Western proposals, Soviet and U.S. forces would be cut to 195,000 on each side in Central Europe and thousands of tanks, artillery pieces and vehicles will be scrapped. A treaty is expected to be signed by the end of this year.

Cheney said Soviet hesitation apparently stemmed from fears of the military power of a united Germany and of the rapid military demise of Moscow's Warsaw

"I think they (the Soviets) assumed the Warsaw Pact would be there longer than it looks like it's going to be there," Cheney

Mandela

accuses

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JOHANNESBURG, South Afri-

ca (AP) - Nelson Mandela said

the killing of seven blacks by

police was a "massacre" and

warned that efforts to end apar-

theid will collapse unless the gov-

emment ends violence by the

The African National Congress

leader denounced the govern-

ment late Monday night after police opened fire Sunday on

protesters at Welkom in the

Orange Free State. Mandela said

the killings cast doubt on the

white government's commitment

to keep its promises of major

of negotiations and peace and

expect us to join in. The massacre

of innocent people is inexcus-

able," Mandela said on his return

Mandela said the government

must curb the security forces and

end a growing wave of violence

that has claimed hundreds of lives

"The responsibility to end vio-

The ANC and the government

of President F.W. De Klerk are

engaged in talks on ending white-

minority rule and sharing political

power with South Africa's black

majority. Mandela threatened to

call off the talks when police

killed black protesters in March,

Police commanders said Wel-

kom was tense but quiet Tuesday

with dozens of heavily-armed

police patrolling the area. Police

said they were forced to open fire

Sunday when hundreds of hlack

protesters attempted to march

from the black township to the

several bloody confrontations be-

tween hlacks and right-wing

whites opposed to the govern-

ment's plans to abolish apartheid

and end white-minority rule. Ex-

treme right-wingers have formed

uniformed, para-military "White

Defence" groups in the area.

Welkom has been the scene of

lence is that of the government,"

from a visit to Zimbabwe.

in recent months.

but later relented.

white town.

he said.

"The government must not talk

reportedly capture Liberia's 2nd port ROBERTSFIELD, Liberia

Rebels

(Agencies) — Rebels seeking to topple President Samuel Doe have captured Liberia's second biggest port of Buchanan, travellers from the area said

The Atlantic Port, less than three hours drive from the capital Monrovia, fell after two days of lighting over the weekend, they

Rehel spokesman Thomas Woewiyu told the British Broadcasting Corporation (BBC) from Washington that rebels had defeated the Buchanan garrison but

he had no casualty figures.

Government officials were unavailable to comment on the reported fall of the town, which would be a big psychological blow to Doc.

Doe, 40, has survived many attempts to overthrow him since seizing power in a bloody 1980

The rebels, led by former Doe associate Charles Taylor, have pushed relentlessly south and west since invading Liberia's northeastern Nimba County in December from Ivory Coast.

From just 150 men armed with few guns and knives the rebels have grown into an estimated 5,000-strong force.

Military sources said there were fewer than 50 soldiers in Buchanan, which handles much of Liberia's three main exports, iron ore, timber and rubber. Many had been withdrawn or had

descrited, they said. One witness saw four truckloads of army casualties returning to Monrovia from Buchanan Sunday. Army reinforcements had earlier left by road and sea for Buchanan.

But military analysts doubted whether the port would be of great strategic value to the guer-

Doe has kept many of his best troops in Monrovia around his fortress-like seaside mansion. The rest of the army, which military analysts say is indisciplined and untrained in anti-guerrilla warfare, has stuck to the towns leaving the guerrillas free range in the bush.

So far the rebels have avoided committing men to holding large towns. Instead they have cut off army garrisons and ambushed supply convoys trying to reach The army tried Sunday to move

west towards the rebel base at Tapeta in Nimba but was halted at a bridge over the Cestos River, residents said. They said the re-bels still controlled the bridge. Convoys of trucks carrying

reinforcements of government troops were seen leaving Monrovia Monday and taking the route to Buchanan, said the sources who spoke by telephone from Monrovia on condition they were not identified. Business sources in the United

States said people from the Buchanan area informed them the city had fallen to the rebels Sunday after light fighting with troops who fled the attackers.

The United States has considerable financial interests in this West African nation founded by freed American slaves in 1847. The source in Monrovia said

Buchanan was reported quiet Monday morning, but it was not clear whether the rebels controlled the city. "The rebels definitely are in the town, particularly in the port area," said the source. Government troop brutalities against civilians have won many

recruits for the rebels, who said last week they had massed about 1,000 fighters outside Buchanan. The rebels say they are fighting to topple a corrupt and nepotistic government that has ruined this

Results confirm Iliescu win; Hungarian party surges to second place

day confirmed a massive win for President Ion Iliescu and his National Salvation Front, while an ethnic Hungarian party made a surprise surge into second

The Hungarian Democratic Union of Romania (HDUR), representing one of the country's biggest ethnic minorities, was set to be the main opposition in a parliament dominated hy the front, according to partial returns from Sunday's poll.

With more than three-quarters

of the votes counted, official results showed Iliescu had over 86 per cent of ballot in the presidential race.

The front, a centre-left group which assumed power after last December's uprising against Communist ruler Nicolae Ceausescu, won a two-thirds majority in both houses of parlia-

The HDUR, with around seven per cent of the vote, was looking forward to 27 seats in the 387-seat assembly and eight in the 199-seat senate

Although the Hungarian party was voted in by its own ethnic group - ahead of big national opposition parties — an official spokesman said their presence in parliament would be a unifying, not a divisive, factor.

"They are Romanian citizens. It will be very good for them to have the chance to air their problems and have dialogue rather than using force and secret ways to achieve what they want," he

"They will have a voice in making the new constitution in- law on several essential points side the new parliament and not. and on a wide range."

BUCHAREST (R) — Official ouside it," he added.
Romanian election results Tuesseveral parties promoting the in-terests of Romania's 2.3 million ethnic Hungarians — 10 per cent of the population. Most live in Transylvania, a region disputed historically by Romania and

neighbouring Hungary. Ethnic Hungarian demands for greater autonomy led to clashes with Romanian nationalists in the Transylvanian town of Tirgu Mures last March in which four people died. The riots, crushed by troops, led to a diplomatic row between Bucharest and

After it became clear Monday that Riescu had won a landslide election victory, the 60-year-old front leader told Reuters that 'elements of tension" had arisen with Hungary because of the minority problem.

The HDUR said it would stay

in opposition and, with other efeated parties crying that the elections were a frand, the front's pre-election hope of a coalition to reach national consensus appeared doomed.

International observer groups continued to report electoral abuses in many places during the election, Romania's first free poll in five decades.

Italian politicians Roberto Formigoni and Rinaldo Ceccardi reported votes cast in the names of people who had died or emigrated, opposition activists being refused ballot papers and many instances of people voting twice.

A monitoring group from the International Helsinki Federation for Human Rights also spoke of "deviations from the electoral

S. Korean radicals, police continue clashes in Kwangju

Tuesday to hold a week of anti-U.S. protests as clashes continued with police in the southern city of Kwangju.

Meanwhile, eight radical students were arrested after they unfurled an unit-U.S. banner in front of the American embassy; in Kwangju, hundreds of radical students yelling "drive out the Yankees" clashed with police at two universities after officers downtown rally.

About 500 students hurled rocks and more than 1,000 firebombs at hundreds of riot police at Chonnam University. Police responded by firing hundreds of volleys of tear gas during the two-hour clash in the southern city that has been the scene of repeated clashes marking the 10th anniversary of an uprising that was brutally quashed.

At Kwangju's Chosun University, about 800 students hurling rocks and firebombs fought police for two hours on streets outside the campus.

The eight students arrested near the U.S. embassy in Seoul had been sent by the National Council of Student Representatives to deliver a letter demanding that Washington apologise for its alleged role in condoning the repression of the 1980 up-

The students shouted anti-American slogans, jabbed their fists in the air and unfuried a large banner reading, "the U.S., which manipulated the Kwangju massacre from behind - make open apology.

After a scuffle with Korean riot police on guard outside the embassy, the students were taken away. There were no injuries. No letter was left at the embas sy, said U.S. spokesman Jack

Radical student leaders said at

a conference at Seoul's Hayang University that they would stage anti-American protests until May

"We are asking for a formal U.S. apology," said a statement by the radical group, which claims to have 40,000 members. "Unless our demands are met. the United States will be

We will also seek the spread of anti-U.S. feeling among Koreans period and unveil the true character of the United States," the statement said.

They said the open letter to the U.S. embassy demanded the United States withdraw 43,000 troops stationed in South Korea, withdraw nuclear arms, stop pressuring Seoul to open its markets to American imports and recall U.S. Ambassador Donald

P. Gregg. National Police Headquarters ordered security stepped up at the embassy and other U.S. facilities as well as major government office buildings, police stations and offices of the ruling Democratic Liberal Party.

Radical students and dissidents have staged violent anti-government, anti-U.S. demonstrations to mark the 10th anniversary of the 1980 Kwangin civil uprising, the bloodiest in modern Korean history.

By official count, 200 citizens were killed and at least 1,700 wounded in the 10-day norising in the southern provincial city. Many citizens in Kwangju, as well as radicals, feel Washington condoned the Korean military suppression. Washington repeatedly has denied the charges.

In Kwangju, 250 kilometres south of Seoul, about 500 militants armed with firebombs and metal pipes stood guard at a hospital morgue where the body of a dead student activist awaited bu-

Barco cancels trip after Colombian senator's murder

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Gorbachev gets pay raise

MOSCOW (AP) - Mikhail Gorbachev may not be soaring in popularity polls, but he's apparently doing a good enough job to receive a hefty pay raise. The Soviet News Agency (TASS) reported Monday that the Soviet legislature had set Gorbachev's monthly pay at 4,000 rubles (\$6,480), nearly three times what he previously was reported to be earning. The Supreme Soviet alsosaid the country's president will be given official residences in Moscow and the Crimea, the resort area on the Black Sea. In addition, Gorbachev is entitled to "specially equipped planes and helicopters and special cars," TASS reported, without providing details. Gorbachev already has those perks, but the news agency said the Supreme Soviet decided to make them part of the public record to replace "secret instructions." A magazine editor last year disclosed that the Soviet leader's salary was 1,500 rubles (\$2,430) a month, about seven times the pay of a typical Soviet

Ferrari auctioned for record price

worker.

MONACO (R) — A Swedish collector paid 59.94 million francs. (\$10.76 million) Monday for a Ferrari racing car, the highest price ever paid for a car at an auction sale, Sothehy's anctioneers said. Hans Thulin, who owns a museum for rare vehicles in Stockholm, bought the 250 Gran Turismo Berlinetta competition "GTO" Ferrari to add to a collection of over 100 rare cars. The 1962 model racing car, with an impressive track record, is one of the earliest of 39 such vehicles built. Its previous owner was American collector Robert M. Ruhin, owner of the Bridgehampton Motor Racing Circuit in New York

Americans are 'too confident' over their spouses

NEW YORK (R) - Three American husbands in every four questioned in a survey on attitudes towards marriage said they were certain their wives would through various means during the never cheat, but nearly 35 per cent of the women questioned said they already had. The survey, in the June issue of the men's magazine Esquire-showed a similar discrepancy between wives' expectations and their husbands' faithfulness. Fifty per cent of the men who responded to an Esquire questionnaire said they had extramarital affairs while 65 per cent of the women said they were convinced their husbands were monogamous. Editor-in-chief Lee Eisenberg said there had been more than 4,000 replies. The average respondent was a college graduate, about 36, carning up to \$50,000 a year.

New Yorkers are still rude

NEW YORK (AP) - Despite a new campaign that implores this city's notoriously rude residents to be more civil, they continue to hog pay phones, fight over cabs. curse drivers and bump, elbow, knee and shove each other... "Courtesy? You got the wrong town, man," said Thomas Abato as he tossed some change in the general direction of a newspaper vendor. Selling people on civility is the ultimate marketing challenge," says Ron Burkhardt. whose advertising firm is trying to do just that. The courtesy campaign is directed by a group called New York Pride. "The city is in trouble, in ciss; It's aching now," said co-Chairman Herb Rickman. "Government alone can't save this city. New York has become a rough, tough place to live in largely because of little incidents, little irritations" in the subway or on the street. Partly as a result, he said, tourism is down and residents and corporations are moving out.

Chinese policeman claims to find oldest fingerprint

PEKING (R) — A Chinese police expert has discovered what he believes to be the world's oldest fingerprint left by a potter as many as 7,000 years ago on the inside of a water jar Zhao. Chengwen, associate professor of the Chinese Police Institute in Shenyang, made the discovery while examining relics from the Neolithic site at Banpo in central China, the official New China News Agency has said Other police experts were quoted as saying it was a loft thumb-print of a girl or boy aged about 13

Winning U.S. film in Cannes may be too hot back home CANNES, France (R) - An been drawing capacity audiences mother in pre-revolutionary in cinemas across France for the

American film laced with torrio sex scepes and stomach-churning violence that may run into problems with censors back home in the United States has won the top prize at the Cannes Film Festival. The festival jury remaining

fe thful to its tradition of conmoversial choices, awarded the prestigious Golden Palm to American director David Lynch's Wild at Heart. The audience at Monday's

prize-giving ceremony reacted with a mixture of boos and The film, the first Lynch has hrought to Cannes, tells the story

of a feckless couple running from the law and a band of killers hired by the girl's mother. It reveals Lynch's obsession with the brutal passions lurking below the calm surface of small-

town America. Lynch toned down his original scenario after audiences at test screenings walked out but he said he still expected problems with

the U.S. film authorities. For Lynch, who sprang to attention in 1976 with the disturbing "eraserhead" and recently hrought out the shocking Blue Velvet, the Cannes award crowned a transition from cult director to international promin-

"I've been trying to get to the Cannes Film Festival for the last 20 years," said Lynch as he accepted the award."I can't be-

lieve what's happening. More popular choices included French actor Gerard Depardieu for Best Actor, a tribute to his masterful performance as the tragi-comic hero of Jean-Paul Rappeneau's swashbuckling Cyrano

de Bergerac.
As the fearless and witty soldier tragically handicapped by his enormous nose. Depardieu has last few months.

East European films, many of which have only seen the light of day thanks to recent political reforms, scored heavily.

Taxi Blues, an impressive offering from first-time Soviet director Pavel Lounguine, won the Best Director Award. The movie is a fascinating depiction of life in modern-day Moscow, centring on the relationship between a right-wing taxi driver and an alcoholic saxophonist.

Polish actress Krystyna Janda won the Best Actress. Award for her performance as a cabaret singer who is tortured hut never beaten into submission in Ryszard Bugajski's harrowing Przesluchanie (the interrogation). made in 1982 hut hanned until

A special jury prize for best: artistic contribution went to Soviet film maker Gleh Panfilov for Matj (the Mother) — the story of a long-suffering worker's

The jury made another controversial decision by giving its second special jury prize to British director Ken Loach, whose Hidden Agenda has been accused of favouring the guerrilla Irish Republican Army (IRA).

Many of the critics' favourite directors left Cannes emptyhanded. Clint Eastwood's White Hunter, Black Heart, in which the American actor stars as a subversive, sardonic film director, received no mention.

Neither did Czechoslovak director Karel Kachyna's biting study of bugging. Ucho (the Ear) was suppressed for 20 years hy the authorities hut still looks

Oscar-winning Italian director Giuseppe Tornatore's wistful Stanno Tutti Bene (Everybody's Fine) and Chinese director Zhang Yimon's praised Jn Dou (Secret Loves, Hidden Faces) both appeared to have been screened too late in the competition to

make an impact on the jury. List of prize winners at Cannes

CANNES, France (AP) - Here are the winners announced at the 43rd Cannes Film Festival: Golden Palm (Best Picture) - Wild at Heart, directed by David

Lynch, U.S. Best Actor — GErard Depardies of France for Cyrano de Bergerac, directed by Jean-Paul Rappeneau. Best Actress - Krystyna Janda of Poland for the Interrogation,

directed by Ryszard Bugajski. Best Director - Pavel Lunghin of the Soviet Union for Taxi

Jury's Grand Prize — Tilai, by Idrissa Ouedraogo of Burkina Faso, and the Sting of Death, by Kohel Oguri of Japan. Jury Prize — Hidden Agenda by Ken Loach of Britain. Best Artistic Contribution - The Mother by Gleb Panfilov of

Golden Camera Award (for a first film) -- Don't Move, Die or Come Back to Life, by Vitali Kanevski of the Soviet Union.

Technical Grand Prize — Pierre Lhomme for Cyrano de

Best Short Film - Adam Davidson, U.S., for the Lunch Date.

BOGOTA (R) — Colombian President Virgilio Barco will not attend a regional summit to begin in Peru Tuesday because of a tide

tions Sunday. Barco announced his decision in a television address Monday hours after hitmen whom the government says were hired by cocaine barons shot dead prominent Colombian Senator Federico Estrada Velez, 63, a member of

of violence sweeping his country in the run-up to presidential elec-

the ruling Liberal Party. The president's daughter Carolina and two granddaughters Adriana and Alejandra also had a narrow escape after a bodyguard stamped out an already-lit fuse leading to 325 sticks of dynamite planted in a Bogota primary

About 250 children were in the chool at the time. Barco named Foreign Minister

him at the Andean summit with Bolivia, Ecuador, Peru and Venezuela at the ancient Inca site of Machu Picchu.

nation of 2 million people.

The meeting will discuss strengthening regional integra-tion and new joint action to confront the drug lords who nine months ago declared war on Colombia because of its anti-drug

An emotional Barco condemned the murder by two gunmen who opened fire when Estrada Velez's car stopped at traffic lights in the drug centre of Medel-lin. The assassins escaped.

"He joins a list of martyrs who have been murdered for their ideas and for the courageous attitude towards the country's problems," Barco said. He did not directly accuse any-

body of the killing. No group has laimed responsibility. Estrada Velez was a regional Julio Londono Paredes to replace campaign manager for Cesar

Gaviria, Liberal candidate and strong favourite to win the pres-idential election with his tough stand against violence. In a statement, Gaviria said the

assassination was "designed to block next Sunday's electoral process by spreading terrorism Municipal authorities called an emergency meeting to agree new measures to enforce the law in Medellin, headquarters of Col-

cartel 250 kilometres northwest of Bozota. They banned the carrying of assengers on motorcycles, often used in assassinations, and the parking of vehicles in public places. Cars travelling at night must now have an inside light on.

Alcohol sales have been forbidden over the election period and police have stepped up vehicle searches in the city.

The violence has spread a cli-

mate of fear before the elections. which will decide the future of Barco's anti-drug campaign. Eight car bombs have exploded

in the last two months, killing 60 people and injuring hundreds. Three presidential hopefuls have been assassinated in nine months. Estrada Velez was kidnapped by drug-traffickers last month and released unharmed after two days with a message for the gov-

ernment which was never made

ombia's most powerful cocaine After the kidnapping, he spoke out against extradition of drug suspects to the United States, the fate most feared by the drugtraffickers.

Interior Minister Horacio Serpa said the violence could be part of a conspirary against the electious but the polis would go ahead as planned.

"At this stage, it's difficult to postpone the elections and in any case that is what our enemies want," he told reporters.

